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'...ONE OF THE BEST
OPPORTUNITIES FOR
LEISURE DEVELOPMENT'

The former Butlin's site is now on the market

ONE of Barry
Island's most iconic
and prestigious
locations, the former
holiday camp site, is
up for sale.

by **GEM REPORTER**

The site is being
offered as part of a
tendering process, and
will revive hopes that a
hotel complex,

entertainment centre or
leisure park may occupy
the area, providing the
Island with another
massive boost.

The site, on Nell's
Point, is currently being
used as a temporary car
park - but it is a hugely
desirable location
overlooking Whitmore
Bay with magnificent
views across the Bristol
Channel.

The adjacent 'Grade
II' listed toilet block is
also being marketed.

The Vale Council said
that "imaginative and
viable commercial
leisure and tourism
developments" are
sought, and it expects
significant interest.

The council said that
now is right time to
market the sites - as the
multi-million pound
Barry Island regeneration
scheme draws to a
conclusion.

Paul Tarling of Jones
Lang Lasalle, which is
marketing the sites on the
council's behalf, said:
"These two sites are
arguably one of the best
opportunities available
for a leisure and tourism
development in south
Wales."

"Both enjoy
panoramic views across
the region's premier
sandy beach, Whitmore
Bay, and are just a short
trip from Cardiff, Wales' capital city."

Coun Lis Burnett of
the Vale Council said the
sale of the sites would be
more pieces in the jigsaw
of the Island's makeover.

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HAVING FUN IN WATERFALL COUNTRY!



ABOVE: Sixty year-9 students from Barry Comprehensive School recently took part in a Duke of Edinburgh taster walk. Some of the group are pictured (above) enjoying the scenes around Waterfall Country. (SEE FULL STORY ON PAGE 5).

Brave Kellyann's 'volcano trek' - in memory of her Dad

by **GEM REPORTER**

A Barry mother of two is to
undertake a 'Five Volcanoes'
trek to Central America to
raise funds for Marie Curie,
which looked after her father
in his final days.

Kellyann Jones said: "How do you
say 'thank you' to Marie Curie for
helping us through the most
horrendous time as a family?"

Her answer is to head for Costa Rica
and a gruelling mountain trek next

year to raise funds for Marie Curie so
the staff can continue to deliver care
and support for people suffering from
terminal illnesses.

Police officer Kellyann (38) had a
recent brush with cancer herself.

"Last year, I had cancer of the left
eye and had to have four operations. I
had a tumour removed and
reconstructive surgery."

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'Urgent need for improvements'

IFLEW into Cardiff Airport yesterday (June 27) and our flight landed exactly on time at 7.25pm; having walked at least 500 metres, we joined the queue at passport control.

Then, 45 minutes after landing, we reached the baggage reclaim – our suitcase still hadn't arrived!

Cardiff Airport is a shambles (I know it is still being upgraded).

Senior citizens or passengers with walking difficulties should not have to walk this distance, including two flights of stairs.

The First Minister said recently that the airport is going from strength-to-strength.

When did he last use the airport?

The managing director is overseeing a business bought by public money that is losing passengers and in decline.

If it were not for local employment needs, I would never fly from Rhosgoe again. Go and look at Bristol, an airport thriving on your failures.

I have asked The GEM to publish my name because I feel we are being conned into supporting this shambolic airport and more people need to raise their voices to get a much-needed improvement very quickly.

Malcolm Cole,
Llantwit Major.

'JAZZ FESTIVAL WAS FANTASTIC'

WHAT a fantastic event the first Vale Jazz weekend was. Well done to Gemma, Mike, Richie Scott and all the team for all their hard work pulling together a really great event for Barry.

The quality of the musicians and the opportunity to move from one event to another was great.

You should all be very proud of your achievement and this event should be supported as much as possible for next year.

It was a real pleasure to experience and another great example of the community working together to make Barry an even better place to live and visit. Glyn Pooley, Barry.

'Think of the dogs trapped in hot cars'

ICANNOT understand why, on hot, sunny days, some people insist on taking their dogs with them shopping and then leave them in the car while they go around the supermarket.

"We are responsible dog owners," I was told when I spotted this on Tuesday, June 22 at about 12 noon. The temperature was 20°C in ASDA (Barry) car park.

"We've left the windows open". Yes, the windows were open for two or three centimetres (about one inch in old money).

Well, OK, next time there are similar weather conditions, try this: Put on a nice warm coat (or a onesie, maybe) and sit in your car with the windows open a couple of centimetres. (Remember, the car is not moving, so there won't be any sort of breeze) and see how long you last.

Oh, the relief to remove the coat or onesie, open the windows wide or just get out of the car.

The thing is, YOU can do that, but your poor dog cannot.

Responsible dog owners? Well, the jury is still out on that one. Helen McGill, Barry.

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A better way to meet our education needs?

IHAVE a son in year-11 of Barry Comprehensive School, a daughter in year-9 of Bryn Hafren Comprehensive School and was a pupil myself of the former Barry Boys' Comprehensive School (1966 – 1973).

As such, I feel I have good background knowledge, plus the valid interest of all concerned parents.

Firstly, I would like to register my disappointment at the linking of the creation of a mixed-sex English medium secondary school with building relocations of the latter and the Welsh medium schools, Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg and Ysgol Gymraeg Nant Talwg. These are two different issues that need careful and independent consideration.

Many residents of Barry are unhappy that to finally expand the mixed-sex operation of the Barry and Bryn Hafren Comprehensive schools (let us not forget that the sixth forms have been doing this very successfully for many years now), we must accept them losing one of their sites – and being forced to operate on a single site that is not adequate for the new, expanded number of pupils.

Let us not forget that the original Barry Boys' site was intended for 1,400 pupils and not

the 2,500-plus of this proposal. No matter how creative the architects and the spin, the fit is not right.

The amalgamation of these two English medium schools across the year age groups could be achieved with minimal disruption and investment (some WC alterations and maintenance) by continuing on their existing sites where pupils are settled, happy, successful and enjoy an excellent rapport with school staff. Here I am speaking as a parent.

The £18,000,000 for this part of the overall proposal would not be necessary.

As for the need to expand the capacity of the said Welsh medium schools, I do not feel their current joint proposal is the right one.

Logistically, it would appear to make sense to site this in a new purpose-built complex where it would be more readily and easily accessed.

Many of the pupils of this new school complex are, and will be, residents of the wider Vale area. Surely it would make sense to site it in a convenient spot in that area, with room for future expansion?

Furthermore the £17,000,000 earmarked for the modifications at the new Welsh medium site (the current Bryn Hafren site) should be more than enough to build this new complex that would not require interventions for several generations.

This would seem particularly

appropriate given the rate at which the council expects demand for Welsh medium to outstrip English medium secondary education in the Vale as a whole. After all, we would not wish to be in this position again in a few years' time.

History should be our teacher in this case, and we should do everything to avoid a re-run of previous short-term decisions.

Not many years ago, when deciding where to site the new Welsh medium schools, sound contrary advice was ignored.

At that point the middle school of the then Barry Boys' Comprehensive School was the English medium casualty.

This time it appears the casualty will be even more considerable: a whole school!

If this proposal becomes reality, what will the future cost to English medium schools be?

The overall funding of the proposal is also, in my opinion, most unfair to the English medium pupils; by my maths, they lose out by a ratio of about 3:1. Surely both media are equally important and valid?

I believe that by disengaging the said parts of the proposal, a more viable solution (possibly saving up to 50 per cent of the proposal figure) will be found that is both fairer to the two education media and far more practical in the long term.

Nick Mavroyenneas, Barry.

'What about the post office for Cowbridge?'

IRRRESPECTIVE of the accuracy or otherwise of the Welsh Conservatives' leader Mr Andrew RT Davies' assertions regarding Cardiff Airport, his repeated denigration of the airport no doubt discourages some potential users and, therefore, harms the chances of success of the airport.

A more positive action by Mr Davies would be to lend his support to Alun Cairns MP in the latter's seemingly futile attempts at getting a post office reopened in Cowbridge.

Mr Cairns' early comments/promises on this matter were

very upbeat, but now appear to have tailed off, particularly since his re-election to Parliament, presumably due to more urgent matters in London.

Perhaps a brief respite from the continual, boring attack on each other by political parties, and adopting a combined approach by our local representatives Messrs Davies, Cairns and Ms Hutt AM might prove more successful in reopening the much-missed post office in Cowbridge.

Bryan Owen, Cowbridge.

'Tell council about blocked footpaths'

IREFER to a recent letter from Mr John Dowden regarding part of the Wales coast path in the Sully area being blocked with out of control foliage.

As a walker myself, I can empathise with the sentiments he expressed in his letter, but at this time of the year as the temperature increases and we have rainfall, the weeds, grasses, thistles and other foliage, practically grow before your very eyes and, as a result, footpaths become overgrown and sometimes unwalkable.

Although the Wales coast path is a major footpath, and passes through part of the Vale Council's area, they have a huge network of footpaths to cover and, therefore, cannot foresee which ones need urgent attention – unless the problem is reported to them, after which they

will respond.

As walkers, we are in a prime position to locate footpaths that are very badly overgrown and I am wondering if Mr Dowden also advised the Vale Council about this problem – which can easily be done by email through their website.

When I, as an individual, come across footpath problems – or even when walking with my rambling group – we contact the local authority concerned to report the problem, so that (hopefully) action can be taken to avoid, as he comments, 'the inevitable injury compensation claims'.

I am sure as walkers we will meet many more problem paths during the summer months, but in the meantime, I wish Mr Dowden 'happy and safe walking'. Joy Strangward, Barry.

Unsung friends across the Atlantic

SEVENTY five years ago, in June 1940, the British Army had been forced to evacuate troops from the continent of Europe through the port of Dunkirk, and soon the French were forced into signing an armistice with Germany.

On August 22, the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Kingsley Wood, told the cabinet of Britain's immediate bankruptcy and inability to continue the war.

Britain's future now depended entirely on American domestic politics (these facts were withheld from the British public at the time).

In June also, the Republican Convention was held in Philadelphia. Three of the four presidential hopefuls –

namely, Taft, Dewey and Vandenberg – were strongly isolationist and wanted no part in supporting Britain.

Wendell Willkie, the fourth candidate, was as anti-Hitler as the Democratic incumbent, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and (fortunately for this country), he won his party's nomination.

Although he lost the presidency to Roosevelt later in 1940 he supported the President in giving Britain the food and military aid that enabled us to remain in the war.

Both men died before the war was finally won but their support for us was essential at a time when 80 per cent of Americans wanted no part in another European war. Their names should be remembered!

John Evans,
Cowbridge.

If at first...

THE EU need not worry about the Greek referendum – if it produces the wrong answer, just tell the Greeks to vote again. This is standard EU procedure.

R Bradshaw,
Cowbridge.

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VALEWAYS GUIDED WALKS

SATURDAY, July 4 'Celtic Crosses, Coast and College'; meet at Llantwit Major railway station car park.

On July 7, 'Crwydro' at Ynys Y Barri/Barry Island, at Coffee Cove Cafe.

On Wednesday, July 8, Coffee Shop Strollers, meet at the Cosmeston visitor centre, CF64 5UY.

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL JULY 9)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 – 25 minutes later.

DATE	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
	AM	M	PM	M
02 Thur	07.17	9.6	19.39	9.8
03 Fri	07.59	9.7	20.26	10.0
04 Sat	08.48	9.8	21.08	10.1
05 Sun	09.34	9.8	21.54	10.0
06 Mon	10.18	9.6	22.41	9.7
07 Tues	11.03	9.4	23.29	9.4
08 Wed	11.54	9.1		
09 Thur	00.22	9.0	12.51	8.7

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TRAVELLERS MOVE ON AFTER THEIR STAY AT BRYN-Y-DON FIELDS...

by GEM REPORTER

THE travellers from Marseilles who moved on to Bryn-y-Don playing fields in Dinas Powys on June 18 have now moved on.

There were complaints of cancelled sporting fixtures and disruption for local people wanting to use the fields for leisure activities.

Last week, the Vale Council issued an order for the travellers to leave by midday on Thursday, June 25.

Although they missed the deadline, by Saturday morning, they were on their way.

A Vale Council

spokesman said: "We can confirm that the group of travellers encamped at Bryn-y-Don, Dinas Powys, left the site on Saturday, June 27.

"Officers from the waste management and cleansing team cleaned the site on the same day, and it has now been returned to public use."

The spokesman emphasised that during the process the council had followed official Welsh Government guidance.

After the Thursday deadline had come and gone, the Vale Council had taken further legal steps on the Friday in anticipation of a court



Alun Cairns MP held a public meeting at the Dinas Powys Rugby Club.

hearing – only for the "invaders" to vacate their temporary home the next day.

The council is taking

steps to ensure a similar incident doesn't take place in the future.

On Friday evening, local MP Alun Cairns had held a meeting with Dinas residents at the local rugby club.

Mr Cairns said: "The news that the travellers have left the Vale has been welcomed by the community."

"I am pleased that the pressure we kept up has ensured that the travellers were left in no doubt that occupying such a well-used site in Dinas Powys was unacceptable."

The main gates to Parc Bryn y Don have

now been secured. They will remain shut until a secure vehicle height barrier of 1.9m is erected. Domestic vehicles and MPVs will be able to go under the barrier without restriction.

Local councillor, Chris Franks, said: "At a time when we are facing reduced funds, it is a great shame that we have to spend money on these installations."

"Across the Vale other sites are being examined, too."

"This episode has been very disruptive for residents, children and sportspeople."

Man on scooter disappointed over access to store

A disabled Barry man has told The GEM he was disappointed not to be able to get in to the Buyology store in the town, because it was "too cramped" around the tills for his scooter.

The man, who suffers from spinal problems and does not want to be identified, said he was frustrated and had not encountered the same issue at other large stores in the town.

He explained: "I am over six foot tall, so my scooter is a little longer than some."

"I paid a visit to Buyology on Monday afternoon, June 15, but could only get as far as the tills. There was too much stuff crammed in to such a small area around the entrance."

"It was impossible for me to get in any further and, totally fed up, I had no choice but to leave."

"As I was returning to my vehicle, someone came out of the store and said: 'I can't move fixtures and fittings. Your scooter is too big'."

"I have no problems in any other large store



The man was unable to get his scooter into Buyology – although he is able to access other major stores in Barry.

in and around Barry, so why should my scooter be a problem when there are so many scooters around the town?"

The man said he hoped Buyology might

open up the access because he was keen to shop in the store.

The GEM put the man's comments to Buyology, but it declined to comment.

Author's debut novel

LOCAL author Sheila Harries will be launching her debut novel for children aged eight to 11 at Griffin Books, Penarth on Saturday (July 4) from 11am-1pm.

The Picture that Made Time Fly, published by Pont Books, opens at the National Museum of Wales with a group of children on a school trip.

All of a sudden, a normal school trip to the museum turns into a spinning vortex through time.

The former school librarian in Oxfordshire, now living in Penarth, she is delighted that the Welsh Books Council has chosen The Picture that Made Time Fly as their Children's Book of the Month for July.

Live music at craft fair

ENFYS Craft Fair next meets this Saturday, July 4, at St Ffrancis Millennium Hall, Park Road, between 10am and 4pm.

The charity for July will be Barry Community Choir, previously known as Barry Choral Society, which was formed in 1968.

A change happened in 2013 when accompanist Emma Arscott became the conductor and Siân Davies took over as accompanist. They have proved to be a great musical team working well together.

Another change came this year when it was decided to rebrand the choir. Fun was had finding a new name – A Chorded Taste, Accord Singers, Waves of Harmony, Coastal Choir – a short list of three was made – Barry Community Choir was chosen.

Enfys are delighted to welcome the choir who will be performing during the morning from 10.30am.

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SCHOOL'S BUSINESS MANAGER HONOURED

A PENARTH school business manager has been handed an award for being 'inspirational', at a national ceremony.

Susan Esseen, who works at Evenlode Primary School was awarded 'Ancillary Staff Member' of the year at the New Directions Education Inspirational Teaching Awards at a ceremony in Cardiff last Friday evening.

Susan was chosen from over 150 entries submitted by parents, colleagues and other members of the education community from schools and colleges across Wales. Steve Rees, headteacher of Evenlode Primary School, collected the trophy on Susan's behalf and said: "Both Susan and the school are delighted with her award. "It demonstrates how highly she is regarded by colleagues and parents and we are very proud of her achievement. It is fantastic to gain such public recognition for her hard work, loyalty and commitment."

The annual awards



Mr Steve Rees received the award on behalf of Susan Esseen.

ceremony took place at the Mercure Holland House in Cardiff on Friday, June 19. The evening was hosted by broadcaster, comedian and one-time teacher at Barry Comprehensive School - Chris Corcoran. Guests enjoyed a three-course meal and were entertained by 'Choir Factor' competition winners Treorchy Comprehensive, who gave their interpretation of Bastille's 'Pompeii' and Nina Simone's 'Feelin' Good.



Included in the picture with fellow ministers is Sandra Birdsall.

Sandra to serve at All Saints', Penarth

A FORMER geneticist, a Royal Navy officer, and a barrister, are among those who will begin new lives in church ministry.

Sandra Birdsall, Jonathon Wright, James Griffiths, Rhian Linecar, Terry Cox and Kent Middleton will be assistant curate in the Cathedral of Wales, Dr Barry Morgan at Llandaff

Cathedral on Saturday, June 27 at 10.30am.

Sandra will serve as assistant curate at All Saints', Penarth; Jonathon, who served in the Royal Navy, will be assistant curate in Whitchurch and James, who practised as a barrister in London will serve as assistant curate at St Mark's, Gabalfa.

Rhian Linecar will serve as assistant curate (NSM) at St John the Baptist and

Cardiff Dewi Saint; Terry Cox will be assistant curate (NSM local) in the Rhondda Deanery and Kent Middleton from the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf will serve as assistant curate (NSM) at Christchurch, Roath.

It will be a homecoming for mum-of-two Sandra Birdsall, when she returns to the parish which she attended as a child at All Saints', Penarth.

"Although I've lived in Radyr for many years with my family, my grandparents on both sides are from Penarth so it is quite fitting that I am going there for my curacy," said Sandra, whose former job as a geneticist involved looking at chromosome abnormalities to diagnose leukaemia and lymphoma.

"As I became more involved in the church taking on things like Sunday school, reading in church and joining a bible study group, I realised how much I wanted to talk about my faith and started to consider the next step to ordained ministry.

"I am now looking forward to getting on and doing the job - getting to know people in the parish and having the privilege to share their lives."

WI enjoy a day in at the races!

THE latest meeting of Highlight Park WI was a runaway success, as about 25 of us had an Ascot race meeting in the hall.

We all dressed in our Ascot dresses and hats, played a horse racing game, and then we had sandwiches, cakes and strawberries and cream. What a treat.

Our Tuesday evening meeting was completely different, but just as enjoyable, when Mrs Eileen Youngusband gave us a talk on World War Two.

She told us about the job she did when she was in the Women's Royal Airforce. She was

one of the girls who in different sections plotted the bombers coming in over Britain, so was able to tell Air Command when to send up the fighters to combat them.

She was an amazing lady; she was nearly 94 and she stood up for all of her talk and didn't have notes.

I would recommend any club that has not heard this lady to do so.

At the meeting, it was agreed that as our charity this year we will support Ysgol-y-Deri School and with this in mind, we are holding a coffee morning in the hall in August.

PW

Barry friendship festival returns

THE Barry-based group Art4U is staging its sixth annual 'Friendship Tree Festival' on Sunday, July 26.

The event will feature many local talented musicians and dancer, together with a few guest surprises. Artists include; Hank Hillman, the Danielle Nicholls Band, The Denin Snakes, The Jack Ellis Band, Desert Divas Dance Group, John Campbell, Christopher Young and more to be confirmed.

Spokesman Glyn Pooley said: "The theme of the festival is

'Friendship'. Our aim is to create a gentle event, with a friendly atmosphere. We welcome all members of the public to this free day of music, dance and art. Bring a picnic and a blanket and help us keep the sun shining! Free entry, donations warmly received.

Art4U is a voluntary arts group who aim to bring collaborative art to the public of Barry and bring people outdoors to celebrate nature. For more information on the festival, visit www.art4uwales.org.uk. Associated with The Barry Arts Festival.

A wander through Radyr's Norman past

EIGHT walkers from Penarth and District Ramblers, including leader Pam, made their way to Radyr, now a suburb of Cardiff, but originally a separate village which developed after the Norman invasion of Wales at the beginning of the 12th century.

The railway station opened in 1863 and the Taff Vale Railway, which was then the Great Western Railway, brought much-needed employment to the area which soon increased the population and Junction Terrace which was the first street to be built, was used to house railway workers.

Heading along Heol Isaf, they walked through a built up area towards Radyr Golf Club which opened in 1902, before carefully skirting the edge of the golf course where a few players were enjoying their game.

Then, passing through woodland and emerging onto a lane before crossing the lower part of the golf course, a stile led them into a lovely cornfield and, following the existing pathway through and being careful not to damage the crop, they emerged to cross the busy Llantrisant Road.

Going downhill through a field, they crossed a bridge over the disused railway line to a farm track which led on to Croft-y-genau Road. Carrying on along Pentreban Road and arriving at St Fagans, a stop was made for lunch within the museum.

The first castle at St Fagans was built in 1091 and by 1616, a house set in its own gardens was owned by the Lewis family, later passing through marriage into the Windsor family when it became part of the Plymouth Estate.

In 1946, the Earl of Plymouth donated the castle and grounds for the siting of the Welsh folk museum.

Both the grounds and castle were opened to the public highlighting the

culture, history and architecture of Wales and became known as St Fagans National History Museum.

After lunch, the group tramped through the village, passing the 12th century St Mary the Blessed Virgin church which is noted for its stained glass windows and fine decorative features.

The whole church underwent restoration between 1858 and 1860 with the work being paid for by Baroness Windsor who occupied St Fagans Castle.

Returning to Pentreban Road and entering a field to descend past the Waterhall plantation followed by an uphill climb, they re-crossed the railway line to reach Maes-y-Lech farmyard.

Another short spell of road walking led the group back to the

outskirts of Radyr and following a path around Radyr Comprehensive School to pass former railway workers cottages, where there was a sign outside one cottage advising people to 'Beware of the Rabbit', they returned to their start.

On July 4, meet at 9am at Cogan Leisure Centre for a 10-mile hard walk in the Brecon Beacons taking in Gist Wen, Fan y Big and Cefn Cyff, contact Joy on 01446 737131.

On July 5, meet at 10am at Cogan for a six-mile moderate tramp in the St Fagans area; contact Pam on 029 2025 5102.

On July 9, meet at 7pm in Rhooose railway station car park, for a three-and-a-half-mile easy walk in the Rhooose area; telephone 01446 737131.

JOY STRANGWARD

Around world in eight days

FOLLOWING the great strides made in aviation and aircraft design during the First World War, there emerged a generation of aviators who looked to not just conquering the air, but spreading links across the globe.

Starting with the first direct crossing of the Atlantic in 1919, the 1920s and '30s saw a band of brave aviators determined to achieve 'firsts' in the annals of aviation records.

Alongside these pioneers, aircraft and navigation developed to provide the means to achieve these goals.

The records gradually fell for cross-continental and oceanic flights and the achievement of a true and continuous circumnavigation of the globe beckoned.

Alongside this was a 'rivalry' between

heavier-than-air craft and the airship to provide the best means of air transport.

A one-eyed American pilot, schooled in the aviation 'Circuses' and a parachuting demonstrations that toured the US in the 1920s, and who carried passengers during the oil-boom, teamed up with a Tasmanian navigator and rose to the challenge in 1931.

These two men were Wiley Post and Harold Gatty and their aircraft was the Lockheed Vega. Its name was the Winnie Mae.

The writer of this article, Mike Duxbury, will give a talk to the Penarth Aviation Society, entitled 'The Winnie Mae - around the world in eight days - and beyond,' at 8pm on tomorrow (Friday, July 3) at the Penarth Conservative Club.

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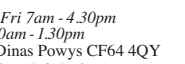
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Kellyann to embark on 'volcano trek' in Dad's memory



LEFT: Kellyann Jones is supporting Marie Curie to say 'thank you' for caring for her father Alan Jones when he was ill with cancer.

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"I'm currently taking a career break due to the cancer and the need to look after my children Ava, aged three, and Ethan, aged seven.

"Because I am fit again after my cancer, I want to give something back to the Marie Curie hospice in Penarth which helped my father Alan Jones and our family through his illness and last days.

"Without their help, I don't think we could have got through it all."

Alan, who was from Barry, died four years ago at the age of 61. He was affectionately known as 'Jaffa' to family and friends in Barry. He had worked as

a docker, and later for the council.

Kellyann is due to start training soon for the trip to Costa Rica.

"I am going to be hiking up five volcanoes in six days. Two are as high as Snowdon and four of the five are still active and have erupted recently!

"I am also no hiker. My only experience is going up Pen y Fan with friends on one occasion!"

Kellyann has already got some collection dates lined up at Tesco stores.

If you would like to support Kellyann by making a donation, go online to: Justgiving.com/Kellyannjones.

Butlin's site is now up for sale!

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Coun Burnett commented: "As we enter the summer season there is a new buzz around Barry Island.

"Recent extensive regeneration work has given the eastern promenade a new lease of life through the creation of the eye catching beach huts, a striking climbing wall and new manicured gardens.

"In addition to this the iconic Barry Island funfair is once again in operation and construction of the new Island link road is under way.

"This makes it the perfect time to market what we know to be two coveted sites. We wait with interest to see what exciting new leisure and tourism schemes will be proposed."

Barry Butlin's was world famous, and opened in 1965, closing in 1986. It was sold on to Majestic Holidays.

The sites are offered for sale by informal tender and the sites can be purchased individually or together. The deadline for tender submissions is September 30.

Lifesavers get a £1,000 boost



Silver award for Rotary Club



Club president Robin Pitcher with district governor Sandra Townsend.

ROTARY Club's district governor, Sandra Townsend, paid an unexpected visit to the Rotary Club of Barry on Thursday, June 25 to present a silver citation award in recognition of the club's achievements over the last 12 months.

Proudly receiving the award on behalf of the club as his presidential year draws to a close, Robin Pitcher thanked the district governor for noting the achievements and also paid tribute to the continued support of the public.

In the past 12 months, the club has raised close to £9,000 for a variety of charitable causes, while service projects have included a carol concert in December for senior citizens in Orchard

House and several youth competitions, which strengthened links with local schools and gave pupils the opportunity to develop their skills.

The club continues to make monthly donations to the Vale Foodbank and will be collecting food donations with Foodbank volunteers at Tesco, Barry.

Barry Rotarians welcome new members, men and women, who are interested in meeting socially and to continue with the club's charitable activities by helping others in the local community.

Club members meet on Thursday evenings at 6pm for 6.30pm in the Glenbrook.

Anyone who would like further information with a view to joining or offering help should contact the club via secretary Phil Hunt on 01446 720000.

JILL OSBOURNE

Pupils learn about funding foreign aid

BARRY and District Soroptimists, assisted by year-12 students from Bryn Hafren School, recently held a workshop for 25 year-5 pupils at High Street Primary School.

Pupils from High Street, Palmerston, Gwenfo, and Holton Road primary schools took part in the activity, which proved to be both enjoyable and very educational.

The topic 'Helping to Make a Difference' was based on the club's support of women developing their businesses in El Salvador, Uganda, Vietnam, Azerbaijan and Kyrgyzstan through 'Kiva', an organisation that arranges loans across the world.

Money donated by the club is distributed to

borrowers, chosen by the club, to grow businesses or to improve their lives. Once the business is successful, the loan is repaid and distributed to a new borrower on the same basis. In this way, a little money goes a long way and it really does 'Change Lives'.

Two of the comments from Gwenfo Primary School were that it was a "very enjoyable day" and "using iPads was a good idea." The club was grateful to club member and headteacher of High Street Primary School, Mrs Sian Howell, for the use of her school and facilities, including the iPads.

At the end of the day, the pupils were presented with certificates from Mrs Howell.

The club hopes to repeat the workshop and if any school is interested, contact us via our website www.sigbi.org/barry-and-district

Pupils embark on DOE walk

RECENTLY, 60 year-9 students from Barry Comprehensive School took part in a Duke of Edinburgh taster walk.

The group spent the afternoon exploring Pontneddfechan Waterfalls in the Brecon Beacons National Park. The aim of the trip was for pupils to gain further insight into elements of the DoE Award.

The boys showed great motivation, determination and team work throughout the afternoon in order to complete the challenging walk. A highlight of the trip was definitely reaching Sgwd yr Eira. The boys had the opportunity to walk

behind the waterfall and were given time to take in and photograph their picturesque surroundings.

Duke of Edinburgh leaders, Miss Rowe, Mr Hutton, Miss Bowkett and Mr Gamble, were extremely impressed with the boys and are looking forward to beginning the DoE Award with the new group in September. AC

THE St John Cymru-Wales' Barry rescue division at Whitmore Bay, has received £1,000 from Barry Town Council's financial assistance fund, to buy a new airway management resuscitation manikin.

The donation was presented by Barry Mayor Emma Pritchard to Jeff Davies, divisional officer in charge, and cadets Antony Baker and

Paige Coslett. Barry rescue division provides first aid cover from its base on Barry Island, and runs a motorboat that covers close to the shoreline to ensure the safety of visitors to the beach. "This donation will help us give our volunteers up-to-date training so they can help anyone who gets into difficulty whilst visiting Barry Island," said Mr Davies. "I'd like to thank the council for its support and helping to make the Island a safer place for all visitors."

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AM congratulates campaigner Pam

JANE HUTT AM welcomed Pam Allinson from Barry, to the Senedd recently to congratulate her on her Wales Centre for Voluntary Action Volunteering Award for over ten years campaigning for Breast Cancer Now (formerly Breakthrough Breast Cancer.)

The Vale AM has also confirmed that she would continue to support campaigns of this kind and will be standing again in the Assembly elections in May 2016.



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Vale MP 'shares concerns' over incinerator plan



Barry residents who oppose a proposal for a wood-burning incinerator plant in the Barry Docks area of the town, were joined (above) by the Vale MP, Alun Cairns.

THE Vale MP, Alun Cairns, joined Barry residents opposing plans being heard by the local authority today (July 2) for a large wood burning incinerator plant on David Davies Road.

Mr Cairns, who opposed similar proposals submitted five years ago, said: "There is a huge amount of concern from local residents living nearby. "The site would be visible from many parts of Barry, not least Dock View Road.

"I have attended several meetings with the community group, and I share their concerns that such development on an industrial scale could have a significant impact on people living nearby.

"The plant would be clearly visible, and I am not convinced that such a development fits in with the vision of regeneration for Barry," he added.

Community Choir holds debut concert

ON Friday, June 19, Barry Community Choir held its debut concert in Crossway Methodist Church. The evening was a huge success for the former Barry Choral Society whose origins date back to the National Eisteddfod of Wales held in Barry in August 1968.

Under the baton of Emma Arscott and the accompaniment of the prize winning Siân Davies, the audience were presented with a varied and very entertaining evening.

The choir broke with tradition by widening the entertainment base to include poetry, from Idris Davies, Mary Jo Salter, Jeffery M Daniel and Douglass Wathan. This was very ably and

entertainingly presented by chorister Beryl Weale.

The guest soloist for the evening was Anne Wilkins, winner of the David Ellis memorial blue ribbon prize at 2012 National Eisteddfod in Barry.

Anne is always a very welcome guest at concerts presenting a variety of traditional and classical songs that never fail to enthral.

A big surprise for everyone was the very spirited four handed piano duets performed by musical director Emma and accompanist Siân. Both are very accomplished musicians in their own right, their performances were absolutely superb and enthusiastically received by all.

With the first of many performances "under our belts" as Barry Community Choir, we look forward to a very promising future as we continue developing an ever widening repertoire.

If you are keen to sing, we meet every Wednesday evening at Crossway Methodist Church, Barry between 7.30pm and 9.30pm. We would love you to join us. Details from Helen Kennedy 02920 531359 or Sheila Valquerizo, 01446 748724. CR

WORK STARTS ON BUS STOP

WORK under way to improve the bus stop at Court Road in Barry near the junction of Hannah Street, will include raised kerbs to make it easier for passengers to get on and off the bus.

"The works is set to last two weeks, subject to weather conditions and motorists and pedestrians are advised to pass with care. It is hoped that disruption will be kept to a minimum," said Coun Richard Bertin.

"I am pleased to hear that the Vale Council is going to upgrade this stop, which will make it easier for all those who use it."

Round Table backs The Biggest Wish

A LOCAL family will have a day out to remember – thanks to Barry Round Table.

The Biggest Wish will see over 100 families from across the UK attend Drayton Manor theme park on July 4 for The Biggest Wish, an event marking the 25th anniversary of Round Table Children's Wish.

Barry Round Table has nominated a family from their community with a child aged between four and 17 years

who is suffering from or has recovered from a life-threatening illness. They've also contributed towards the costs of the family attending the event.

The event is being supported by Drayton Manor, the Round Table Trust and individual Tables across country.

They'll be joined on the day by Olympic silver-medallist Sharron Davies who is taking part in the event marking the 25th anniversary of Round Table Children's Wish.

'Barry was buzzing!' the Vale AM reports

JOINING the Barry at War events on Barry Island, Vale AM Jane Hutt said: "Barry Island was buzzing with the Barry at War activities, displays, stands, stalls and music!"

Thank you to Glenn Booker and Barry at War volunteers, and John Buxton for opening up the station, Barry tourist trains and displays."

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Jack heading for South Africa to fence for Wales – thanks to local support

by GEM REPORTER



ABOVE: Jack took part in British 'elite training' in London last Sunday.

TALENTED local fencer Jack Cafaro is to make a dream trip to South Africa as part of the Welsh squad thanks to the support of Vale people and businesses.

The GEM recently highlighted his fear that he might miss out on the Fencing Commonwealth Games, taking place in Cape Town from July 11 to 18, because he needed £2,600 to fund the trip.

The family began raising funds by doing bag packs at local supermarkets and, along with donations, the figure has been achieved.

His grandmother Sue, who often drives him to tournaments and training sessions, said: "We want to thank the people and businesses of the Vale for their generosity and being so supportive."

Jack's latest supporters have been Place for Homes, Mrs MJ Thomas, Coun Gwyn John, Claire and Shaun at Co-op Travel Ltd in Llantwit Major and Nando's.

In the past, Jack has won Welsh foil and épée championships at junior level, and been named the Vale's 'Junior Sportsman of the Year'.

He now competes in épée: strikes can be made against all parts of the body and are recorded electronically.

Jack, (16), who is coached by Dr Gordon Kingston and attends St Richard Gwyn High School, is facing an intensive build up to South Africa.

"Last weekend I competed in at a competition in Kidderminster on

Saturday and attended a training camp in London on Sunday.

"At Kidderminster I was up against adult fencers and got through to the last 32. I had 14 fights in four hours." (If it hadn't been for 'repechage' which gives losers a second chance to make progress in the tournament, he would have made it to the last 16).

Jack went on: "On Sunday, I took part in an elite British training session at the Leon Paul Fencing Centre."

"It was really intensive with some killer exercises. It was a full day and we didn't get back to St Athan until 10pm."

"I think I'm in good shape for South Africa, but I'm now looking to do some sessions at the gym in Llantwit Major to hone my skills and fitness."

Jack will continue to fundraise until he leaves for South Africa to help cover the cost of equipment and kit – three swords recently cost him almost £600.

His mother, Vivienne, and Sue will be part of a group of Welsh supporters flying from Heathrow to Cape Town along with the squad.

Sue said: "I'm writing out a 'spiel' to see if the airline crew will make an announcement that the Welsh Commonwealth fencing squad is on its way to South Africa."

The GEM will report on Jack's South African adventure later this month.

WATERSPORTS ARE ON THE WAY!

Chris Britten, chairman of the Watersports Trust, Vale cabinet member Coun Lis Burnett, Victoria Robinson (Vale Council) and Philip Walters (secretary of trust).



THE first phase of constructing a watersports centre on the previously disused Mole at Barry number one dock has been completed.

Following funding from various sources, including a section 106 contribution from the Vale Council, work has so far seen the construction of a slipway into the dock, a car park and a temporary classroom building.

The project is aiming to

provide a permanent watersports centre for community use, as well as a number of small boathouses, and on-site showers and changing rooms.

The new facility will also offer local clubs and groups a place to hold meetings and take part in various water based activities.

Run by the Ocean Watersports Trust, a charitable group offering watersports activities for the community, the centre also looks to bring

back to life the formerly disused dock.

Funding for the project came from the Vale Council, Barry Town Council, Sport Wales, Associated British Ports (ABP), Welsh Government, local construction company Grab It, and the Simon Gibson Trust.

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RNLI come to the rescue during the Barry Yacht Club race drama

ON Saturday, June 20, Barry Yacht Club held the Helwick Race for sailing cruisers – the resurrection of an event of the same name which used to be sailed in conjunction with the Bristol Channel Race, run for many years by the club over the May bank holiday weekend.

The original Helwick race died due to lack of support many years ago, although the Bristol Channel Race still takes place every year in conjunction with the Bristol Channel Pilot Cutters Association.

Barry Yacht Club organises the Channel Race which is limited to entries from sailing pilot cutters. A number of members had indicated an interest in an overnight race for sailing cruisers and it was disappointing that only two boats, *Shadow* and *Dolly Kedge*, came to the starting line.

The course was from Barry to the West Helwick Buoy off the Gower and back to Barry. The total straight line distance was about 80 nautical miles.

The weather was very blustery, with the westerly wind gradually increasing as the boats proceeded down channel using the spring ebb tide following a 10am start. *Dolly Kedge* reduced sail fairly soon and made a further reduction after passing Nash Point.

Meanwhile, *Shadow*, the larger of the two entries, had a lead of some five miles and was crossing Swansea Bay. She gradually reduced sail as the wind increased above 20 knots (force 6).

It was at this point at about (1.45pm) that disaster struck when the mast on *Dolly Kedge* failed. Fortunately, neither Jeff Davis the owner/skipper, nor Jim Tonks the crew, suffered any injury.

Jeff was able to summon assistance from the coastguard and the Porthcawl inshore lifeboat of the RNLI was launched. *Dolly Kedge* was some seven miles south west of Nash Point and *Shadow* heard the coastguard activity on the VHF radio and turned back to render assistance. The lifeboat was quickly on the

scene but *Shadow* continued to sail back against the tide for an hour or more before being stood down by the coastguard.

The Barry lifeboat was also deployed, in order to tow the casualty back to Barry, and this took quite a long time due to having to punch the remainder of the ebb tide at the outset. They eventually reached Barry in the early evening.

Meanwhile, *Shadow* continued sailing towards the West Helwick and eventually rounded at about 8.30pm. She had lost a considerable amount of time sailing back against the ebb towards *Dolly Kedge* and this meant that she then had to push against the wind and the flood tide before rounding the buoy.

She also encountered banks of quite thick fog off the Gower peninsula. Because of the delays, she had only a couple of hours of favourable flood tide after rounding and the wind also went light for a time.

The wind subsequently increased quite considerably and at one time was blowing at about 30 knots (force 7). They were broad reaching in a very confused sea during the ebb and making relatively slow progress over the land despite travelling at considerable speed through the water.

They had adverse tide for much of the return leg and eventually finished at about 6.20am on Sunday.

Congratulations are due to Steve Sutton, the skipper, and to his crew of Dale Mathews and Dafydd Brown for completing the course in difficult conditions and winning the Helwick Challenge Cup.

So ended an event which had much drama but fortunately no personal injuries. Those taking part had a very tough time in the boisterous conditions. Jeff Davis records his deep admiration for the crews of the two lifeboats who dealt quickly and skilfully with his distress. He expressed his heartfelt thanks and appreciation for their efforts.

BRIAN DOTCHEN

Trad jazz in church!

ON July 19 at 7.30pm, Tudor's Rhythm Kings, traditional jazz from New Orleans to Dixieland, will be playing in St Augustine's, the 149-year-old grade I church above Penarth Docks (now a marina).

PACT MEETINGS IN THE VALE

DYFAN – Meet local officers at Tesco, Stirling Road, Barry, on Monday, July 6 between 1pm and 4pm.

BUTTRILLS PACT – at Barry Town Council Offices, Gladstone Road, Barry (side of the Memorial Hall) on Thursday, July 9 at 6.30pm.

CADOC – Meet local officers at Waitrose, Palmerston Road, Barry, on Thursday, July 9 between 10am and 2pm.

PETERSTON SUPER ELY – Meet your local officer at Peterston super Ely

Community Hall on Thursday, July 9 between 11.15am and 12.15pm.

ST ATHAN – Meet your local officer at The Gathering Place, St Athan, on Sunday, July 12 between 2pm and 3pm.

GIBBONSDOWN PACT – at the Residents Board, Coychurch Rise, Barry, on Tuesday, July 14 at 10.30am.

ST BRIDES – Meet your local officer at The Star Inn, Wick, on Tuesday, July 14 at 2.30pm.

Both the docks and the church were built by Lady Windsor in 1865 and 1866 respectively. The celebration of Penarth Docks anniversary could not take part in a more appropriate location.

This celebration is organised by Penarth Marina and Haven Residents' Association and the Friends of St Augustine's. The association is a volunteer group working to improve the neighbourhood's physical and social amenities.

The Friends of St Augustine's works to raise money to maintain the church building and churchyard.

Contact PenarthM@gmail.com or see <https://penarthm.wordpress.com/150th-anniversary/>.

Council and Vale Ramblers host walkers

THE Vale Council, alongside the Vale Ramblers and Penarth and District Ramblers, put on a series of walks for a 55 strong group of hikers from Mouscron, one of the council's three twinned towns.

Vale and Penarth Ramblers devised a programme of 10 walks spanning the group's six-day visit, taking in areas such as Llantwit Major and the Heritage Coast, Cowbridge and its surrounding villages, the Gower, and the Brecon Beacons.

Robin Pitcher of Penarth Ramblers

commented: "Walking brings together people with a common purpose; enjoying the outdoors and keeping fit into the bargain. We are happy to have made this possible and to help strengthen our twinning ties in the process."

The council's cabinet officer Mark Petherick said: "I'm very grateful to the two Ramblers groups for putting together such a professional programme for the visitors."

"The visit has been a great success and I look forward to it being the start of more events and exchanges with our twinning partners, and hopefully a reciprocal visit next year."

Emmaus 'sleep out' boosts work of The Wallich



The cheque is handed over. Photo by Paul Fears Photography.

THE proceeds of a recent 'sleep-out' held by Emmaus South Wales in Bridgend and attended by Terry Waite CBE, was presented to the manager and staff of The Wallich in Bridgend, by Coun Jeff Tildesley, chair of the charity's solidarity committee.

"We greatly admire the excellent work The Wallich do in the local area, helping the same people we want to help," said Tom Clarke ESW's Director. Emmaus was founded in 1949. A worldwide movement, it offers an alternative to homelessness by providing people with a home, work and companionship, to help them to regain their self-esteem.

The charity has shops in Cowbridge, Maesteg, Porthcawl and Neath and a shop and superstore in Bridgend. Later this year it will open a new 'community' for 23 people in a renovated former sheltered housing building in Bridgend.

Emmaus won the Bridgend Business Forum Award for the 'Social Enterprise of the Year' in 2014.

Communities First call centre visit for job seekers

THE Vale Council-led Barry Communities First has organised a free site visit to the Admiral Insurance call centre in Cardiff for those who are interested in a career with them.

On this site, people will be given a tour of the call centre floor to see the action as it happens, a talk about the careers that are available with them and you will also get to speak to staff about what day to day call centre life

is like.

The visit is taking place on Wednesday, July 15, with a bus leaving from the Barry Job Centre, Holton Road, at 8.30am returning at 12.30pm.

In order to be eligible for this visit you must live in a Barry Communities First area which includes parts of Buttrills, Cadoc, Castleland, Court and Gibbonsdown.

For more information or to book a place please contact us on 01446 709432 or visit www.BarryCommunitiesFirst.org.

Sole model Rosie was centre of attention!

VALE Photographic Club has provided members with an opportunity to photograph under studio lighting conditions.

Our volunteer model for the evening was Rosie Craddock, who due to a no-show of other models, was left to contend with 20 plus photographers, all calling for her attention! I'm sure at times Rosie felt she was being pursued by the Paparazzi – not ideal, and we thank Rosie for her patience on the night – she really did save the evening for us!

The session was followed later in the month with a 'post-processing' evening. Members explained how they'd processed their pictures of Rosie – a great learning opportunity for those unfamiliar with photo editing software.

Last month also saw a talk by long time member of the club, Michaela Mains, who is currently studying for a BA in photography at Bridgend College. Michaela explained the course, what it covers, and shared one of her assignments with the group – a really thought-provoking series of photographs presented in a photo-journalistic style of foster children visiting their mum.

The pictures truly demonstrated the raw emotion of the visit, and the power of photographs to tell the story. Memorable stuff!

The club now takes a break for the summer, with regular club meetings starting again in Ystradowen Village Hall in September. During the summer break, members enjoy a programme of activities and weekly photographic challenges.

Anyone interested in joining the club is welcome to join in with our programme, which can be viewed on our website.

We meet socially in the Farmers Arms pub (Aberthaw) 8.30pm on Friday evenings for a social get together and an opportunity to share images from the week's challenge.

For further information on the club, which is open to ages 16 and over (16-18-year-olds must be accompanied by an adult), visit our website at <http://www.vale-photographic-club.co.uk>.

Andrew Coleman



Rosie by Peter Dennis.



Rosie by Bridget Craddock.

£6,000 raised at festival Champagne toast for two charities



TWO charitable functions were held in the Cowbridge Food and Drink Festival champagne tent prior to the start of the recent food and drink festival.

On May 22 an evening was held in aid of Coleg Elidyr – a specialist college for adults with learning difficulties and disabilities in Carmarthenshire. On May 23 there was an evening to raise funds for

the Velindre Cancer Centre in Cardiff, of which Julian Hitchcock, managing director at Town & Country Hotels is a proud ambassador.

Both events were well attended and greatly enjoyed raising funds totalling £6,330 for both worthy causes.

Isabel Graham (parents association of Coleg Elidyr) thanked Town & Country Hotels for their generous support and their ongoing commitment to such charitable events in our community.

VALE MP's VIEWPOINT 'Travellers have been moved on... but why did it take so long?'

THE community and sports clubs of Dinas Powys can now, once again, enjoy the use of Parc Bryn y Don.

After 10 long days, and a packed public meeting at Dinas Powys Rugby Club, the travellers finally moved on last Saturday. The community came out in big numbers, and that allowed me to speak on their behalf, to press the local authority to move the travellers on as quickly as possible.

When travellers arrived in the capital recently, Cardiff Council took swift action and the group departed within two days. The travellers that arrived in the Vale were here for 10 days, and it took the local authority five days just to give them notice of eviction.

Lessons need to be learned. Processes need to be followed, but residents have quite rightly been asking how Cardiff Council can move travellers on in less than two days, but in the Vale of Glamorgan it takes five times as long?

The community wouldn't accept that sort of delay for bin collection, so it should be no different for trespassers.



**Vale MP
Alun Cairns
reports to
GEM readers**

The travellers have finally left, but I want to ensure that no other community in the Vale would suffer the same disruption in the future. I have spoken with the relevant minister at Government level, and I am calling on the Vale Council to review how they responded to the situation and encourage them to talk with neighbouring councils to determine what best practice can be employed.

I will stand up for any community in the Vale in the same situation – a cricket club founded in 1882 should not be forced to move fixtures, dog walking should be possible without intimidation, and football clubs should be able to train freely without dealing with human excrement on the pitches.

These activities are what make a community, and must be protected at all times by the local authority.

The Vale Council has described its action over 10 days as swift and decisive – compared to two days in Cardiff. I will leave it up to the residents of Dinas Powys, and readers of The GEM, as to whether or not they agree.

SOME LIGHTS WILL GO OUT AT MIDNIGHT IN NEW COUNCIL SCHEME

LAST autumn, the Vale Council's proposal to introduce part night lighting and reduce energy consumption was agreed by the cabinet.

Following this agreement, a part night lighting project board was established to oversee this.

A Vale Council spokesman said: "This is now well advanced and the council is ready to begin installation of photoelectric cells to the identified lamps which will enable them to become part night lit."

"Our contractors will start the installation work in July, beginning in Penarth with a roll out in phases from east to west across the Vale. This is expected to take up to 12 weeks to complete."

"The street lights that will be part night lit will be identified by a sign on the street-lighting column stating they will be switched off between midnight and 6am, and an interactive map on the website will be updated with the progress of the installations as they occur."

The cabinet member for leisure and visible services, Coun Gwyn John, said: "We have undertaken rigorous risk assessments to ensure the safety of residents as we introduce part night lighting to the Vale."

"Part night lighting, along with the installation of LED lamps, will ensure we achieve significant energy savings over the next few years and will have considerable environmental benefits for the area."

Round Table backs 'The Biggest Wish'

A LOCAL family will have a day out to remember – thanks to Barry Round Table.

The Biggest Wish will see over 100 families from across the UK attend Drayton Manor theme park on July 4 for The Biggest Wish, an event marking the 25th anniversary of Round Table Children's Wish.

Barry Round Table has nominated a family from their community with a child aged between four and 17 years who is suffering from or has recovered from a life-threatening illness. They've also contributed towards the costs of the family attending the event.

The event is being supported by Drayton Manor, the Round Table

Trust and individual Tables across country.

They'll be joined on the day by Olympic silver-medallist Sharron Davies who is taking part in the event marking the 25th anniversary of Round Table Children's Wish.

Council makes change to car parking charge

THE Vale Council is making changes to parking charges at Harbour Road and Nell's Point in Barry Island, Rivermouth and Brig y Don in Ogmorth Sea, and Cymlau in Southerndown from July 13.

Parking will still be free for disabled badge holders and solo motorcycles, and the all-day charge for cars and coaches will remain unchanged at £5

and £10 respectively.

At peak times, between 8am and 4pm, car parking for up to one hour will cost £1, with the usual all-day fee of £5 applying for all longer stays.

Between 4pm and 11pm, stays of up to one hour will still be charged at £1, with all longer stays costing £2.

Car parks will remain open from 8am to 11pm throughout the year, including on bank holidays.

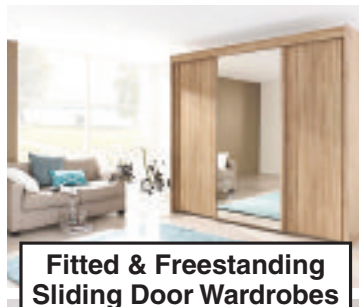
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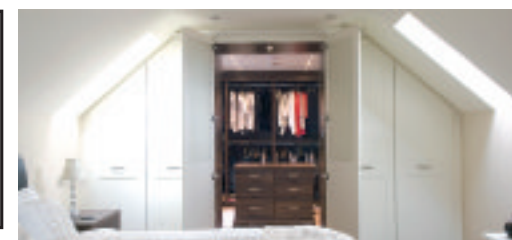
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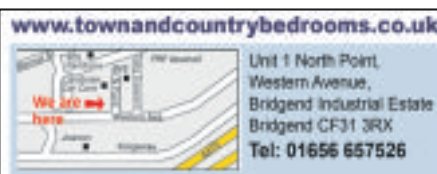
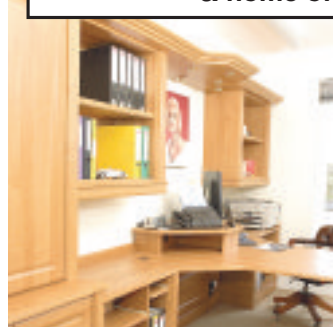
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Stars and stripes Celebration day at the cat centre!

CATS Protection's Bridgend Adoption centre is holding an American-themed open day on July 4.

Running from 10.30am to 4pm, it promises to be a fun day out for all of the family.

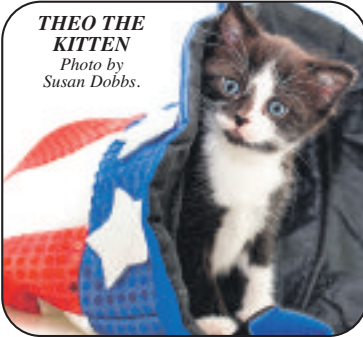
Special guests on the day will be Suzy Davies AM, Bridgend County Borough Deputy Mayor Coun Reg Jenkins, and the Deputy Mayoress Teresa Jenkins, and Coun Jeff Tildesley. There will be a special appearance at 11.30am by Batman.

The staff will be dressed in American-themed costume and visitors are invited to dress up too! Rosettes will be awarded for the best children's costumes.

Visitors can also meet the many loving and adorable cats in the centre's care; they include adorable Theo, a

THEO THE KITTEN

Photo by Susan Dobbs.



seven-week-old kitten, who was admitted to the centre with seven other felines because their owner was finding it difficult to cope with them all.

Sue Dobbs, centre manager said: "The open day is a great opportunity to enjoy some summertime fun while supporting the charity which finds new

homes for the many unwanted and abandoned cats that come into its care."

Other attractions will include raffle, tombola, stalls, barbecue, bouncy castle, refreshments, fresh cakes, children's corner and much more. Admission is £1 for adults and 50p for children, under-3's free.

The centre currently has 162 cats and kittens in its care awaiting a second chance in life, with a further 182 on the waiting list to come in.

For more information about the open day, directions, or to adopt a cat call 01656 724396 or visit www.bridgend.cats.org.uk

Advice surgery

ELUNED PARROTT, regional AM for South Wales Central, will be holding an advice surgery this Friday (July 3) between 10am and 12 noon at her constituency office, 38 The Parade, Roath, Cardiff, CF24 3AD.

To book an appointment, call 02920 462326.

NATALIE'S CHALLENGE GIVES MACMILLAN BIRTHDAY BOOST



NATALIE JONES has been a supporter of Macmillan Cancer Support and the MS Society for the past three years and has organised her birthday celebrations in aid of both charities raising over £6,000 to date.

Amy White, fundraising manager for Macmillan Cancer Support said: "Natalie has achieved great success through her fundraising, she is a fantastic supporter of Macmillan."

"We are grateful that she continues to raise thousands of pounds, helping to support more than 130,000 people who

are living with or beyond cancer in Wales"

Iestyn from the MS Society said: "Natalie has raised many thousands of pounds for the MS Society, helping to provide hope and help for the 4,000 people living with multiple sclerosis in Wales. Natalie is clearly a natural fundraiser and a very popular person!"

It doesn't end there for Natalie... This year, she is taking on a bigger challenge than ever, or

should that be challenges! Having just embarked on her new adventure, Natalie is taking on 12 challenges in 12 months.

From climbing Ben Nevis, taking on the Gower Macmarathon and a Christmas Day swim, Natalie certainly has her work cut out for her.

To support Natalie and find out more about her challenges, head to her Virgin Money page www.virginmoneygiving.com/nataliejones15



ABOVE; Natalie climbs to the summit for Macmillan.

World Cup in Blues' beach rugby festival

THE Webb Ellis Cup is coming to Barry as the first-ever Cardiff Blues beach rugby festival takes place on Barry Island beach this Saturday (July 4) – and there will also be auditions to find official mascots for the Rugby World Cup!

Land Rover – a worldwide partner of Rugby World Cup 2015 – will be holding open auditions for youngsters (aged seven to 13 years old) to win one of two official mascot places for this year's showpiece tournament.

Auditions will take place at the inaugural Blues Beach Rugby Festival and on Barry Island Promenade from 11am. This is the only chance in Wales to audition to become an official mascot!

As well as mascot auditions, from 4pm, visitors will also get the chance to glimpse the

Webb Ellis Cup and the custom built Rugby World Cup 2015 trophy tour defender that will carry the trophy for its 100-day tour around the UK and Ireland.

Hopeful mascots will need to deliver a short audition, undertaking one of the following challenges: Give a passionate rendition of a national anthem of their choice; offer some words of inspiration and advice to a Rugby World Cup 2015 team captain; and tell Land Rover how they would welcome a visiting nation to the UK for Rugby World Cup 2015 late this year.

The best two entries will be rewarded with a place as an official Rugby World Cup 2015 mascot at one of the Welsh pool matches!

There will also be a special visit from Cardiff Blues players at 12noon on the day to sign autographs and meet fans!

Further details at: www.cardiffbluesbeachrugby.com.

RIMSHOTS' GIG IN PENARTH

ON Saturday, July 4, Penarth's Rocking Roots annual summer ball will be held at the Paget Rooms, Penarth as part of the summer festival.

Headlining will be The Rimshots, performing their first concert in Wales in seven years, supported by Penarth blues band Mellow Down Easy.

DJ Liam Curtin will keep the dance floor buzzing in between sets.

The Rimshots, fronted by Penarth's John Lewis, have been described as one of the best country/rockabilly bands in Europe.

Tickets (£8) on sale at Pencerdd Music, Penarth (doors open 7pm).

Demo against incinerator plan

AT 5.30pm today (Thursday, July 2), the Docks Incinerator Action Group and Barry & Vale Friends of the Earth will demonstrate at the Vale Council's Civic Offices, against the proposal to build an incinerator on Barry's Waterfront and hope to persuade the planning committee to oppose it.

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Penarth Dads' mountain marathon for Ty Hafan



The Penarth dads prepare for their three peaks challenge.

THIRTEEN Penarth dads are preparing to tackle three of the highest peaks in the UK this September.

They are attempting the mountain marathon in one non-stop 24-hour period, starting with Ben Nevis in Scotland and making their way via Scafell Pike in Cumbria to Snowdon in north Wales.

The group, who have named themselves Hike2Help, are aiming to raise as much money as possible for Sully based children's charity Ty Hafan.

Through their efforts, they hope to be able to pay for one day of the charity's running costs. Ty Hafan offer comfort, care and support to life-limited children, young people and their families throughout Wales in the hospice, in the community and in their home.

Ty Hafan is not part of the health service and receives less than five per cent statutory funding each year towards the £3.7 million it needs to do its vital work.

Team leader of the dads, James Ritchie, said they all wanted to get together to do something worthwhile whilst trying to lose a few pounds along the way: "We're all

really up for the challenge and it's a huge motivation to have the fundraising target to aim for.

"I have been wanting to do something like this for ages and when I put the idea to a couple of my friends it really took off. None of us are really super-fit and we're all busy with everyday life but we're all training as hard as we can on weekends and I'm sure we'll be in good shape come September."

Hiking up mountains is not the only thing the 'Plodfathers' are doing to raise funds; they have organised a golf day which is happening this Friday, June 26 at Peterstone Lakes golf course, just outside Cardiff.

Hike2Help golf organiser Gary Mitchell says it's going to be a great day: "We've had a lot of help from Peterson

Lakes and from many kind people who have given prizes for our charity auction at the end of the day."

They are also planning a grand summer party for July 4 at All Saints Church Hall in Penarth.

This will feature live music from Penarth band Charlie's Marbles, barbecue food, bar and disco as well as prize draw for some great items that have been generously donated. A few tickets are still available for this evening of entertainment.

The Hike2Help dads have set up their own website (www.hike2help.co.uk) and are on Twitter and Facebook if you want to check out their progress and get further details of the events. You can also donate to the cause via a simple button on the website.

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Ceilidh band founder dies

LOCAL ceilidh band, Thingumijigs, has said a sad farewell to one of its founder members, Richard Antonio Fattorini, who died recently.

Richard was a whistle player, but well known at local ceilidhs for producing a variety of loud and unexpected noises from bells, rattles and claxons during the band's play-out tune.

Children will remember him at school barn dances and Victorian Fair days.

Richard was a mine of information, and enriched band practices with a wealth of background facts about the tunes. He was once treasurer of the Bridgend and District Quiz League, and his active interests ranged from real ale to politics, and from cats to Welsh culture.

It was Richard's encouragement that led to the band learning a new repertoire of Welsh folk tunes to play at the National Eisteddfod when it came to Llandow in 2012. He was also a very committed member of his church.

At his funeral, members were surprised to learn that Richard had a very interesting family history: His great grandfather, Antonio Fattorini, came to the north of England in 1815, and began

working as a market trader, selling jewellery and watches.

He started a Watch Club, and the business eventually evolved to become Empire Stores, the first mail order company in Europe. Fattorini & Sons also designed and manufactured badges, medals and trophies, including the FA Cup.

Richard will be missed by all who knew him. Sympathy is extended to the family.

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that obviously helps. Many tradespeople have struggled since last year and I honestly feel that during the good times a minority perhaps didn't focus on customer care as much as they should have done. We make sure we turn up when we say we will, do the job the customer requires and leave their house as clean as a whistle. I often get comments back from customers on how they really didn't expect that sort of service which, in a way, is very sad for the service industry as a whole."

Cloudy2Clear service the Vale, Bridgend, BCT and Porthcawl areas and Phil is finding that his

approach is a major factor in his success. "The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I've

done work for, which just goes to show how much a little bit of effort is appreciated."

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Bobbie with pilot Mike Dentith.

THEY do say it's never too late to tackle a new adventure – and that's certainly true when it comes to Bobbie Booker from Barry!

On Friday (June 26)

by PHILIP IRWIN

she celebrated her 70th birthday in style – by doing a wing walk at Gloucester Airport.

Mike Dentith of Wingwalk Display Ltd was the pilot who looked after Bobbie as

she stood, strapped on top of a bi-plane and was flown over the airfield.

Her husband Pete said: "Many at Bobbie's age are ready to kick the bucket, but she keeps adding to her bucket list."

"So far Bobbie has been in a submarine, hot air balloon, zip line in North Wales, travelled at 100mph, a parachute jump, and helicopter ride at Rhooze.

"She is frequently my number one mate when I go yachting in the Bristol Channel. Shortly she will be doing her second zip line at Chepstow".

Bobbie has a slightly unusual hobby as well – belly dancing – and she is a member of the Desert Divas.

Pete Booker added: "Mike the pilot, has promised to do a 'loop the loop' for her on her 80th, while Bobbie is also set on doing something in space for that birthday!"



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Care chief claims new legislation is "madness"

A NUMBER of nursing homes in the Vale could be forced to close because of new UK Government rules, a social care chief has claimed.

The controversial legislation will force non-European workers to return home if they are not earning at least £35,000 after six years – and that will include well-qualified nurses working in social care.

According to Care Forum Wales, the body that represents the independent social care sector in Wales, it will lead to the loss of nursing home beds at a time when they are needed more than ever and could force some homes to close completely because of a shortage of trained staff.

Mario Kreft, the Chair of Care Forum Wales, said: "Essentially, the Government will end up getting rid of well-qualified staff doing a good job and then replacing them with economic migrants without qualifications."

"This could very well lead to nursing homes being closed because of a shortage of qualified nurses."

"It could also lead to the sector having to pay higher fees for agency nurses and will almost certainly mean some care providers will have to stop offering nursing care."

"This is utter madness. This is the daftest policy I have heard of in a long time."

According to Mary Wimbury, the senior policy advisor at Care Forum Wales, the new Home Office rules could push the Welsh care sector, which is

already struggling to recruit enough nurses, "over the edge."

At its Bournemouth conference recently, the Royal College of Nursing (RCN) highlighted the fact that thousands of foreign nurses working in junior posts in the UK could be forced to return home under new Home Office immigration rules.

As part of its effort to control net migration, the Government is imposing a new pay threshold for migrants which means that non-European workers will have to leave the UK after six years if they are not earning at least £35,000.

The RCN predicts the rules will "cause chaos" for the health service, waste money spent on recruitment and affect more than 3,300 NHS

nurses by 2017.

"The new rules will have a disastrous effect on the care sector in Wales, which employs many nurses from non-European countries, few of whom will be earning anything like the £35,000 threshold."

"The actual figure of those involved runs into hundreds of nurses who in turn care for many thousands of patients across Wales."

"Due to a reduction in the number of nurses being trained and an increase in numbers leaving the profession we already have a significant issue in terms of recruiting nurses to the care sector in Wales and this will only make things worse."

The Home Office has said the rules will help reduce demand for migrant labour.

LOCAL MEMBERS ATTEND 'BREAST CANCER' LAUNCH



Rosina Butler and Pam Allinson at the launch event in London.

BREAST Cancer Now, the new charity created from April's merger of Breast Cancer Campaign and Breakthrough Breast Cancer, launched on June 15, with the ambition of stopping women dying from breast cancer by 2050.

The largest breast cancer charity in the UK, Breast Cancer Now has vowed to fund the brightest researchers from across the UK and Ireland to see its vision realised.

Local supporters, Rosina Butler and Pam Allinson from Cardiff and Vale Breast Cancer Now attended the charity preview launch event on Thursday, June 11 in Westminster, London, where the new charity name and branding was revealed. Attendees of the event pledged their support to the new charity, and enjoyed an evening of celebration.

Rosina said: "I was to ensure that my granddaughters don't have to worry about getting breast cancer so I am proud to lend my support to Breast Cancer Now."

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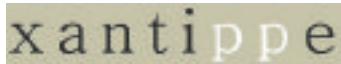
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Minions raise a laugh – but plot is not a strong point



by GARETH JAMIESON
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SIDEKICKS are sidekicks for a reason – they have limited appeal outside the framework in which they have prospered, so when you send them out on their own, the reaction is tepid to say the least.

After all, as hilarious as the Penguins from Madagascar were in those films, give them

their own film and suddenly their charm is on the wane.

The latest supporting players have a little bit more profile, however, as the Minions from the *Despicable Me* films take centre stage in a film entitled (you guessed it) *Minions*.

Set in the years before they meet with those films' lead character, Gru, we follow Minions Stuart, Kevin and Bob as they are recruited by supervillain Scarlet Overkill (voiced by Sandra Bullock), who, with her husband Herb (*Mad Men*'s Jon Hamm), has plans to take over the world, a mission that the Minions are tasked with helping, though their help may very well turn into hindrance...

Given that you can barely step into a shop or visit social media without seeing something to do with the little yellow creatures, the characters of the Minions have developed a ubiquity rarely seen; in fact, it would be fair to say that they are a pop culture phenomenon.

Given that the *Despicable Me* films have taken over \$1.5 billion worldwide (in no small part due to the allure of the characters), it's unsurprising that they've spun off into their own feature – the end product is a film that is enjoyable and entertaining, will keep you amused but feels a little flat in terms of the story.

Not that it really matters about the plot: after all the stars of the show are the Minions, and their particular brand of slapstick comedy, and here the

film strikes a home run. The opening section of the film, where we see their creation and then their search for the baddest boss they can find (clue – things don't end well for the bosses they choose) is a well-judged selection of comedic pratfalling and japey.

Their garbled and gobbled speech (a mixture of gibberish and several languages) sounds funny, but also squarely places the emphasis on the physicality of the humour, and directors Pierre Coffin and Kyle Balda showcase this incredibly well.

It's just a shame that convention dictates that it needs a plot to hang this comedy on, as the one conjured up is unengaging and dull. Given that they used the vocal talents of Sandra Bullock, you would expect Scarlet Overkill to be a hugely impressive villain. Instead, while it's a nice to see a female character as the big bad, the character is lacking in just that, with Jon Hamm even more ill-served with the role as her inventor husband.

Whenever the Minions are allowed to run riot, the film shines; when we get into the intricacies of the plot (involving an unlikely coronation, abdication and a kidnapping and rescue) it loses pace and excitement, before a climax that sees a familiar face come in and steal, quite literally, the film.

While it won't bother younger audiences, for whom these characters are perfect viewing fodder, it does take the

shine off the hilarity of much of the film for those who take more than just a passing interest in elements such as story and common sense; while the Minions are as entertaining as ever, they deserve something better than this.

VERDICT: A leaden and dull plot takes the shimmer of them a little, but these Minions are still a wonderfully humorous proposition. The comedy is well staged, the characters themselves are impossible to not like – it's just a shame that they weren't given anything better to do. *Enjoyable.*

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Despicable Me 2* (2013), *Penguins of Madagascar* (2014).

Local groups' grant extension in Vale

THE Vale AM, Jane Hutt, has welcomed news that Natural Resources Minister Carl Sargeant AM, has agreed an extension of grant funding for 31 projects registered with Environment Wales until the end of March 2017.

The AM has been pressing for the extension for Vale groups such as the Amelia Trust Farm, Valeways and Barry Community Garden & Allotment, as Environment Wales is due to end in its current form in this September with new funding arrangements to be put in place.

She commented: "This extension is great news for the Amelia Trust Farm, Valeways and Barry Community Garden and Allotment – as it allows continuity of funding to enable them to deliver on their current projects whilst also preparing to make a bid directly to Welsh Government under new grant funding arrangements."

"I have been pressing for this extension and am extremely pleased that the Minister has recognised the valuable work of these Vale charities; his statement has been well received here in the Vale."

WHAT'S ON AND WHERE

Family fun

MEMBERS of Bethania Presbyterian Church, Pendoylan, are holding a family fun day this Sunday, at Welsh St Donats Community Hall from 12pm to 4pm. Entry is free and everyone is welcome to come along and enjoy a barbecue, cake stall, face painting and raffle.

RNLI lifeguards ready for action

RNLI lifeguards will be returning to three of the Vale's busiest beaches this weekend – to offer safety advice and assistance over the summer holidays.

Working in partnership with Vale Council, the charity's lifeguards are returning to their posts on Southendown, Ogmere and Llantwit Major beach from 10am on Saturday (July 4) to offer a daily safety service over the summer season.

Over the three beaches, RNLI lifeguards responded to 91 incidents and assisted 102 people in 2014 and Stuart Thompson, RNLI lifeguard manager said: "The lifeguards are all set ready to return to their posts in the Vale this weekend."

"With hot weather forecast throughout the week we anticipate a lot of people visiting the coast this weekend. We advise that people choose a lifeguarded beach and always swim between the red and yellow flags – that way you can relax in the knowledge that you and your family are safe under the watchful eyes of professional lifeguards."

Visit the RNLI website www.rnli.org.uk/beachsafety or download the charity's beach safety mobile app.

Church open day

ST PETER'S Church, Old Cogan, is holding its annual open day this Saturday, July 5, from 2pm-5pm. Various stalls, jazz trio and refreshments.

TOP advice

TAXHELP for Older People (TOP) will hold an income tax surgery offering free professional advice to older people on a restricted income at Roz Couzens' Chiropractic Surgery, Unit 4, Commercial House, Commercial Street, Llantwit Major CF61 1RB on

Monday, July 6 from 10am until midday. No appointment necessary.

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Summer dance

A SUMMER dance will be held on Saturday, July 11, at Bonvilston Reading Room, when Jumpin' Jimmy and the Nice Guys, an 11-piece blues and soul band will provide the entertainment. For tickets (£7) call at the Old Village Shop, Bonvilston, or telephone 01446 781686.

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LIFT self-help group meetings

LIFT self-help group, which offers friendship and support to those affected by breast cancer, meet in Cowbridge once a fortnight, either between 10am and 1pm for relaxation therapies or 2pm – 4pm, for speakers or special activities.

Members of the group recently enjoyed afternoon tea at Llancarch Vineyard and on July 15 at 2pm we have a speaker.

The last meeting before the summer break is on July 29 – relaxation therapies and garden party.

If you know of anyone who might benefit from this group, phone Anne on 01446 772843, or Judith on 01446 794176. New members always welcome, please bring a friend.

Dinas Powys show classes

DINAS POWYS Village Show, a popular event in the local calendar, will be held on Saturday, September 5 in the Parish and Lee Halls.

The show schedule is now available, free of charge, from the following outlets: Dinas Powys Council office, Britway Road; The library at Fair Oaks; Penarth Library; the Chemist shops at Camms Corner and Cardiff

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Councillors want to hear views on the solar farm

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The details are contained in a planning application to the Vale Council.

The proposals include construction of a PV solar farm for the production of electricity comprising solar panels mounted on fixed frames with associated infrastructure and buildings.

There will be a two-metre deer fence surrounding the site.

Plaid councillor Chris Franks said: "The land is either side of the railway line and to the south of the school. There will be over 20,000 photovoltaic panels.

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The application says that there will be significant economic benefit to the school.

"The applicant further states that it will save 2,800 tonnes per year of CO2.

"Local councillors would be pleased to hear the views of the community concerning this application. There are obvious concerns about such large schemes in the countryside.

"Up to four fields are involved. Apparently, the panels have a life span of 25 years."

Regional Tory AM hits out at ambulance times

REGIONAL AM Andrew RT Davies has attacked the performance of the Welsh ambulance service, after time targets were again missed in the Vale.

During May, 55.8 per cent of emergency responses in the Vale to immediately life-threatening calls arrived at the scene within eight minutes, according to the Welsh Government's statistics.

Mr Davies said this was an improvement on April, but that it was still below the rest of Wales, which averaged 59.4 per cent.

He went on: "Residents across the Vale will rightly question 19 consecutive months of missed targets and it is disappointing that performance in the

Vale continues to lag behind other parts of Wales.

"Any improvement in performance is welcome and all credit must go to the frontline staff who day in, day out, go out and save lives.

"The Vale has a number of challenges due to its rural nature but it's now crucial that Carwyn Jones, Labour's health minister and the Cardiff and Vale Health Board take steps to implement their commitment to improve and transform the service.

"In an immediately life-threatening situation, the length of time waiting for an ambulance can make the difference between life and death".

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There will definitely be lots of fun at Fun Foundations this summer - so if you haven't made arrangements for childcare the holidays give the team a call on 01446 771117.

The scheme of work and enrolment form are available on request by emailing Amy at info@funfoundationsdaynursery.co.uk.

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Onesie Walk hopes to raise £30,000 for Ty Hafan hospice

MORE than 600 fundraisers lined the night-time streets of Cardiff city centre for the Wales Onesie Walk from the Millennium Stadium, which is expected to raise more than £30,000 to support Ty Hafan's vital work for life-limited children at the Sully hospice.

One of the walkers raising funds, Sian Davies, took part in memory of her baby daughter, Evie Alys Footman, who was born 14 weeks early on September 15 2012 and sadly died in her mum's arms at Ty Hafan when she was just five months old, in January 2013.

Sian said: "The unknown pregnancy had caused me to deliver Evie at home. She suffered severe oxygen deprivation and her whole entrance into the world was extreme. We were supported

amazingly and managed to do so many things you can expect to do with your newborn," said Sian.

"The support Ty Hafan gave us on the days that followed was unbelievable, and to this day, they continue to support us as a family."

Sian and her partner, Gary, have been actively fundraising for Ty Hafan, the hospice for children in Wales, ever since.

Sian said: "I took part in the Wales Onesie Walk to support this amazing charity."

"We want to do everything we can so that other families can have the great support we had."

Ty Hafan is now planning its next fundraising event - the Aberdare Rainbow Run - on July 18.

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Local people are honoured by Dinas Powys Rotary Club

THE president of Dinas Powys Rotary Club, Colin Jones was "delighted" to present Sandra Fitt and Nick Phillips with the club's 'Founders Award',

given each year to a person or persons who have achieved high standards within the community.

Sandra was recognised for her achievement of over 21 years of excellent work

in foster caring and Nick Phillips has completed over 38 years of distinguished service with the Scout movement in the village.

Colin Jones said: "Dinas Powys Rotary Club are honoured to have such wonderful people in our community and we are pleased to be offering donations to their nominated charity."

"We look forward to continue recognising our local folk who have done so much for Dinas Powys."

The presentation took place at the Huntsman Restaurant last week with the Dinas Powys Rotary Club members in attendance.

During the evening, the members also enjoyed a presentation by Dr Stephanie Matthews, who spoke on the subject of murder, medicine and WMD.

It included the story of Sir Jack Drummond, a scientist and forgotten hero of the Second World War, who used his expertise to save thousands of lives through food rationing, and a person who deserves to be celebrated as a national treasure.

A vote of thanks was given by Dr Jon Jones on behalf of the club.

JANE EXEL

Dazzling demo day for the WIs

ON June 20, as part of celebrations marking the 100th anniversary of the founding of the National Federation of Women's Institutes in Wales, England and the Channel Islands, Glamorgan Federation hosted a 'Dazzling Demonstration Day' at Ararat Baptist Church, in Cardiff.

Eighty members from 23 institutes attended and were treated to a variety of interesting talks with practical demonstrations.

Mrs Yvonne Randall showed the ladies how to make a range of pastries and everyone agreed that they were delicious! Mrs Jill Watkins made floral

corsages and buttonholes look easy, and gave everyone ideas for making that special outfit even more spectacular.

Mrs Alison Westward had wonderful and interesting ways of packaging all manner of gifts, and everyone decided that they would never buy a bottle bag again!

Mr Kevin Thomas regaled members with tales of his career as a plants man and showed them delightful photographs of 'Summer Gardens'.

The day was a great success and the members went home with a variety of new ideas and skills to try for themselves!

'JOIN SURVEY TO FIGHT MENINGITIS'

MANY of your readers will have seen the good news this week that two new life-saving meningitis vaccination programmes will begin this summer.

These measures will save lives straight away, and for years to come.

At Meningitis Now, the founder of the meningitis movement and the only charity dedicated to fighting meningitis in the UK, we're delighted to see them being rolled out.

'Our Beat it Now!' campaign over the last two years has been pushing for this to happen.

However, this doesn't mean meningitis is beaten.

There are still strains for which there is no vaccine available; there will still be people who are not protected by these vaccine programmes, and there are still people struggling to rebuild their lives following their experience of meningitis.

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Please visit our website at www.MeningitisNow.org for more information, or to take part – it will only take a few minutes.

Thank you.
SUE DAVIE,
Chief executive,
Meningitis Now.

Vale AM's surgery

THE Vale AM Jane Hutt will hold a surgery on July 4 at Barry Citizens' Advice Bureau, 119 Broad Street, Barry from 10am – 11.30am.

No appointment is necessary.

Ty Hafan's hero dads conquer Three Peaks

Gary Footman, Chris Jenkins, Gareth Jenkins, Adam Bayjoo and Ben Jones.



A GROUP of dads supported by Ty Hafan braved tough weather conditions to tackle the three highest peaks in Wales to raise funds for the charity.

The GE Aviation Wales sponsored event, which has raised more than £1.4m for Ty Hafan since its launch in 1998, saw more than 400 participants climb Snowdon – the highest mountain in Wales – before scaling the mighty Cadair Idris and Pen y Fan – all in less than 15 hours.

They covered a total distance of 20.35 miles in rain and heavy fog before being greeted with a heroes welcome and a well-deserved barbecue, kindly provided by Just Perfect Catering, at the finish point in Pen y Fan.

The dads' team included Gary Footman, Adam Bayjoo, Ben Jones and Chris Jenkins, who all share a common bond as they are supported by Ty Hafan – the hospice for children in Wales.

Ben Jones' four-year-old daughter, Hallie Mae, was referred to Ty Hafan two years ago as she suffers from a rare genetic condition called Cri Du Chat. Infants with the condition often have a high-pitched cry that sounds like a cat.

Ben, who enjoyed the challenge so much that he wants to do it again next year, said: "Ty Hafan has done so much for Hallie Mae and our family, so

it was great to give something back by taking part in the Welsh3Peaks Challenge.

"It was a really tough day but I just kept thinking about what we were doing it for which gave me a real boost. It was really good to do it with a great bunch of guys who have all been helped by Ty Hafan and I can't wait to do it again next year."

Ty Hafan's male support worker, Gareth Jenkins, joined the dads' group for the challenge. "What our families are going through is extremely tough," said Gareth.

"The Welsh3Peaks Challenge was a chance for the dads to raise money and give something back, but ultimately build life-long friendships that will help them along their journeys."

Sali Thomas, Ty Hafan events manager, said: "Our 80 teams took on the Welsh3peaks through some of the worst weather conditions we have ever seen. Well done and thank you so much to each and every one of the participants who took part."

"We'd also like to thank our headline sponsors, GE Aviation Wales, and their 90 amazing volunteer marshals who did a fantastic job in keeping the walkers motivated and safe."

Ty Hafan is now planning its next event – the Wales Onesie Walk in Cardiff city centre – on Friday 26 June. To register, please visit walesonesiewalk.co.uk.

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Bikers are asked to get behind the Hands for Alan 'ride out' appeal

LOCAL motor cyclists are being asked to come forward and join a 'ride out' to raise funds for a nine-year-old boy who needs 'bionic' hands.

Alan Gifford was born with a complex heart defect and when he was three, he went into hospital for major open heart surgery.

Alan's mother, Hannah Jones, told The GEM: "After the operation, he caught an infection and because his heart was working so hard to pump blood to his brain and lungs, it stopped the flow to his hands, resulting in the amputation of his fingers.

"I was told three times that Alan wouldn't make it through the night and to call the family in to say their goodbyes, but he pulled through.

"After six months in hospital, we were finally allowed home. Alan is a little fighter and is so determined. He won't let anything get to him.



ABOVE: Young Alan Gifford dreams of one day being able to ride a bicycle.

"My goal now is to raise £60,000 to buy him two new bionic hands (i-limb ultra and i-limb digit). With these hands, Alan will be able to be like every other boy his age. All he wants is to be normal, to ride a bike dress and feed himself without any help, but to do this we need help.

"We are holding a ride out on Sunday, July 12, from M & P Cycles in Gorseinon, Swansea, to the Owls' Nest in Llandoverly, so we are calling on all bikers to help make this a day Alan will never forget".

More information can be found on [facebook.com/handsforalan](https://www.facebook.com/handsforalan).

COUPLE RAISE CRUCIAL FUNDS FOR THE CHILDREN'S CENTRE

A COUPLE from Barry have raised thousands of pounds to help fund care and services for children with life-limiting illnesses in Cardiff and the Vale.

A total of £4,875 was raised for the Children's Community Nursing Service (CCNS) based at the Children's Centre in University Hospital

Llandough (UHL).

It will help purchase sensory equipment for the children, arts and crafts materials for activities at the Saturday Club, and fund a Christmas party for the children.

Katie Smith, healthcare support worker at the Children's Centre, and her husband, Andrew, from Barry, came up with the idea to host a black tie event at

Cardiff City Stadium. The event, which attracted 193, raised over £2,000 in raffle tickets alone.

Katie said: "We set out to raise a few hundred pounds, to give the CCNS children and their families a party which they very much deserve.

"From the support and generosity of everyone involved, the scale of our event was bigger and better than we ever anticipated.

"We would like to thank everyone who gave their time, effort and donations.

"We are looking forward to planning our next fundraising event!"

The CCNS based at UHL, provides nursing care to children with continuing healthcare needs, in their home, in schools and at Saturday Club.

Working with the Well Child nurse, the team aims to promote early discharge and prevent hospital admission where appropriate.

The team currently cares for about 60 children across the region.

Dawn Daniel, acting team manager at the Children's Centre, said: "Our team work closely with the children and families who access the service and build great relationships with

them, so it is such a bonus that we have raised this money.

"It will help the team provide the service and those little extras that mean a lot to the children.

"For the last two years, we have been unable to hold a Christmas celebration - and it now means this year we host a special party for them."

The CCNS team works in partnership with the Children's Hospital for Wales, Ty Hafan, special schools, and a number of voluntary agencies, to provide the service for children and their families.

Children's swanky hats for Age Cymru charity!

LOCAL children will be wearing swanky summer hats on Friday, July 3 - to help raise money for charity.

It's part of a campaign by Age Cymru to help end isolation and loneliness among vulnerable older people.

'Swanky Summer Hat Day' is a simple and fun fundraiser taking place during the charity's 'Summer Sizzlers' season.

Spokesperson Nia Butler said: "We all know what it's like to feel lonely, but imagine what it must be like to actually be alone and isolated every day - this is, unfortunately a reality

for many older people in Wales."

Age Cymru can provide 'Swanky Summer Hat Day' posters and information on how to send your donations to the charity. Organisations can also get involved by holding their very own 'Summer Sizzler' activity, with all funds raised supporting vulnerable older people.

For more information about 'Swanky Summer Hat Day' and 'Summer Sizzlers' please visit www.agecymru.org.uk/simmersizzler or contact Age Cymru's Fundraising Team on 029 2043 1555 or by emailing fundraising@agecymru.org.uk.

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On Sunday, August 9 Cardiff Airport will invite private aircraft to 'fly in' to Rhosfor a one-off reduced landing fee of £15.

The 'fly in' is open to light, privately owned aircraft weighing up to a maximum of two metric tonnes, offering a rare opportunity for pilots to enjoy the full experience of landing in a fully-operational commercial airport.

All money raised on the day will be donated to Wales Air Ambulance said Debra Barber, managing director at

Cardiff Airport: "It is a privilege to be able to offer the private owners of light aircraft the chance to experience landing into Cardiff Airport during what is already a busy summer season for us.

"What's more, it's an ideal opportunity to showcase airport services and facilities, whilst raising money for a very worthy cause; let's just hope the sun makes an appearance, too!"

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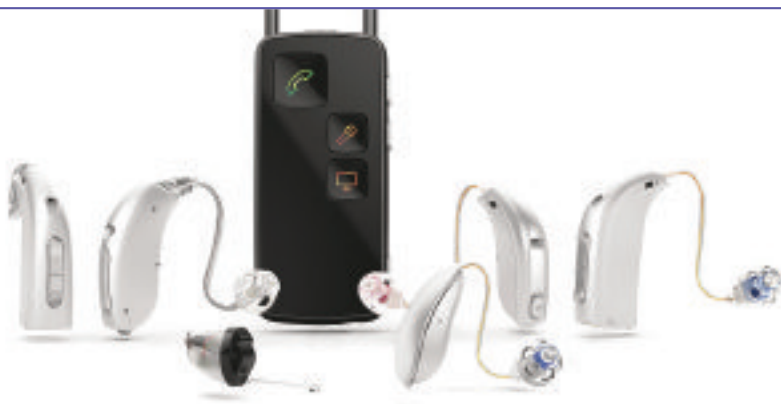


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THE latest remarkable wall painting discoveries in St Cadoc's Church, Llancafán, are once again open daily to visitors.

The story of the paintings, now recognised as of international importance, has been followed by The GEM since their discovery in 2008.

Last week saw the removal of extensive conservatorial scaffolding, revealing to worshippers and visitors even more notable works of mediaeval art.

Canon Derek Belcher is now well established in the Llancafán parish following his departure from Cowbridge's Holy Cross, and is embracing the opportunity to reach out to media interest.

As soon as the latest artwork was revealed, a French television crew from TF1 – Télévision Française 1 – were on the church's doorstep to learn of the discoveries. (TF1 is apparently the most widely-viewed television channel in Europe.)

Not surprisingly, it was the latest astonishing set of 'The Sins of St Cadoc's Church' that enriched the interest of

Images and words by Ian Fell.

producer Marc de Chevigny. unusually) two versions of sloth.

Canon Derek was able to introduce the French crew to the church's now famous *St George and the Dragon* (only the third known in Wales), its enigmatic *Death and the Gallant*, and now a significant find of a full, but eccentric, set of *The Seven Deadly Sins*.

Conservators Jane Rutherford and Ann Ballantyne have now completed many months of Heritage Lottery-funded work in rescuing the paintings from many layers of Reformation limewash.

Latest to appear among the 15th century paintings are the Capital Sins – a wonderful teaching aid about the hazards facing humanity.

Perhaps it's not surprising that when asked to name their favourite sin, visitors settle with enthusiasm for *Gluttony*, pictured here being tempted by devils to succumb to the sins of the tavern.

Working alongside gluttony to guide our mediaeval ancestors

towards a moral life are six more of the seven deadly sins – lust, pride, anger, avarice, and (very

One of these, known in Latin as *Acedia*, is an obscure illustration of religious depression. The other 'Sloth' speaks much more directly, showing a person encouraged to lie in bed by a spiky devil, and so unwilling to attend the service despite the summoning of the church bell.

Happily, although these paintings are still to be fully revealed and assessed, Canon Derek also identifies some of the counterpoints to the Deadly Sins around the church's south west window (the seven acts of corporal mercy and seven acts of spiritual mercy).

"We believe," explained Canon Derek, "our artist has also illustrated 'Care of the Dead', 'Visiting the Sick' and 'Clothing the Naked' among other virtues. Such virtues are about love in action. But we must wait for future work to reveal what has survived of these illustrations of mutual care."

Now, with an open door throughout the summer, the churchwardens are



The sin of gluttony!

looking forward to welcoming casual visitors and formal groups to share their amazement at the faith and creativity of our ancestors.

Sue Taylor, the People's Warden, says: "Everyone is so impressed by what has been revealed as a teaching treasure of our faith."

Rhodi Grey, the

Vicar's Warden, said: "St Cadoc's Church is enriched as a place of spiritual pilgrimage and worship where all are welcome."

For further information contact Canon Derek Belcher, 07796 170671; Ian Fell 01446 781383; Jane Rutherford (conservator) jane_rutherford@btconnect.com.

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Dan (aged 6) aims to rake in RHS gardening title!

DAN TAILBY (aged 6) a pupil at Dinas Powys Primary School, is in the running for the Royal Horticultural Society School Gardener of the Year title.

He is one of four finalists in his age category throughout the UK to be invited to a special celebratory day at RHS Wisley in Surrey.

Dan and his family will be given an exclusive tour, a sit-down afternoon tea and a chance to meet expert gardeners, as well as celebrity gardener Frances Tophill.

He has also been given a video camera to make a short film and show judges why he should be a winner.

"Dan's interest in gardening first became apparent when he was three years old, after his family became involved in a project at the newly-opened Nightingale Community Gardens in Dinas Powys. Five families shared one of the plots to learn how to grow vegetables over a year," a school spokeswoman said.

"He was one of eight children involved. While all the children enjoyed it Dan was hooked. When the others went off to play in the play area, Dan stayed on the plot

engrossed. And today, while the other children are busy with new interests Dan is still there.

"He insisted his mum take on part of the plot herself at the end of the year, so that he can continue to grow his crops. This is now his third season growing food in the community garden, and he is still as keen as he was when the garden was set up.

"His enthusiasm has lasted and is beyond that normally seen in children of his age.

"Once shown how to plant or harvest a crop, he does it methodically and efficiently. He is capable of choosing the correct tool from the shed for a job, and understands what the crops need to thrive, and what pests may threaten them. He takes an interest in the plants' progress without adult intervention.

"He really does love the whole experience. His favourite vegetables to eat are peas straight from the pod, and sweetcorn.

"The other adults at the plot enjoy his company and he will help neighbouring plot holders, if given the chance. He also enjoys a cup of freshly brewed tea shared by some of the men and listens in to the banter with interest. He really has become part of the community."



Ewenny Priory Church marks its 900th year

THE 900th anniversary celebrations of the building of Ewenny Priory Church take place this month.

From July 11-13, it will be bedecked with flowers, the arrangements by members of the various organisations and activities connected with Ewenny Priory Church today, reflecting both the life of the church and of the local community.

As far as possible, flowers and shrubs that were available in medieval times are being used, with colours of a summer herbaceous border, preserving the simplicity and beauty of the Priory Church. This is an opportunity to look at the Norman architecture, as well as the flowers.

The church will be open from 10am to 5pm each day for viewing. The entrance fee is £3, which includes a full-colour brochure describing the displays and the history of the

Priory Church. On Sunday, July 12, the Ewenny 900 festival service will be held in the church, when the preacher will be the Archbishop of Wales with music by St Donat's Chamber Choir.

At 6pm will be Songs of Praise, with hymns from each of the nine centuries of the church's life. All are warmly welcomed to attend these services, and join in the celebrations.

On Saturday, July 18 a medieval fayre will be held on the Priory House Archery Field from 10am to 5pm, and it promises to be a day of fun and interest for all.

Participants include a medieval camp with re-enactors, archers and battlers, a display of owls, and a craft corner of potters, stained glass artists and willow basket weavers.

There will be music and dance, various stalls, activities for children and food and drink.

Venerable Philip Morris, Archdeacon of Margam

End of era for 'Little People'

AFTER 20 successful years providing childcare in Barry, Little People's Playgroup of Coastland Church in Tennyson Road, will close its doors for the last time on Thursday, July 16.

A spokesperson said: "Staff and children participated in the Barnardo's @Big Toddler on June 15.

"This year's theme was pirates, and the children and staff members were encouraged to dress up and take part in various obstacle courses and

treasure hunts. It was a huge success and helped to raise £349 for the great charity organisation.

"Little People's Playgroup was founded in 1995 by Kerrie Taylor and the late Rev Gurwin Marshallsea, in its initial premises at Pyke Street Eilim Church, and has been providing a high quality of childcare in Barry for the last two decades.

"Kerrie and staff would like to extend their thanks to the families who have helped support the playgroup throughout its tenure, and wish them all the very best for the future."

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MP is backing campaign to end ovarian cancer 'postcode lottery'

MADELEINE MOON, the MP for Bridgend, has signed up to a new campaign to end the ovarian cancer 'postcode lottery', launched by national charity Target Ovarian Cancer.

She pledged her support for the new campaign in Parliament this week, after Target Ovarian Cancer released a new report highlighting the regional differences between survival rates of ovarian cancer, awareness and participation in clinical trials.

The MP said: "More needs to be done to ensure that all women with ovarian cancer get the support and care that they need, regardless of where they live. I have pledged to make sure that is happening in Bridgend."

Annwen Jones, Chief Executive of Target Ovarian Cancer, said: "While cancer doesn't discriminate by address, r.org.uk

this new report clearly shows that women with ovarian cancer are facing a life-altering postcode lottery.

"Women with ovarian cancer should be able to access the best standards available, no matter where they live in the UK."

The Ovarian Cancer Postcode Lottery report is calling on all MPs to make sure that women with ovarian cancer are getting access to the best treatment and care possible.

A spokesperson said: "We need to stop women dying needlessly because of where they live.

"The most important thing is that women know what to look out for. That is why we need a national awareness campaign so that every woman knows the key symptoms which are having a bloated tummy or tummy pain, needing to wee more often/urgently and always feeling full."

For more information, visit www.targetovariancancer.org.uk

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Owen's Welsh charity walk aims to raise £10,000 for Fiji youth training centre

Owen has already helped to set up training programmes in Fiji.



YESTERDAY, July 1, Rhooe resident Owen Doel began a 1,027 mile trek around the Welsh coast and Anglo-Welsh border for charity.

Owen hasn't got far to go when he begins to walk as he explained to THE GEM.

"I'll walk out of the front door down to Rhooe beach, before heading west towards Pembrokeshire and around the entire coastline before heading down the Offa's Dyke path and back up along the coast to the original starting point."

Owen thinks the trek will take almost two months.

"I'll be carrying my own supplies and a tent with the aim of completing the walk in around sixty days."

Owen, 27, went to Barry Comprehensive School before studying at the University of Exeter, and at the University of Cardiff on a post graduate course.

Following his studies, he volunteered on projects in Fiji

before going on to spend the next two and a half years running the actual programs as a base manager for Global Vision International. It is a volunteer organisation that sends international volunteers on projects around the world.

In Fiji, he has been involved in setting up education programs in rural schools as well as working on construction programs designed to improve access to water and improve toilet facilities in villages.

He is aiming to raise £10,000 to build a youth training centre in a remote part of Fiji to help tackle the problem of youth unemployment in the country.

Despite its natural beauty and friendly people, Fiji is still very much a developing country with major economic and social issues.

Owen pointed out: "Young people in Fiji are facing tough decisions: to stay in their villages and run the risk of a life with little income or head to the big cities in search

of low paid jobs. "Fijian tribal culture relies on strong communities and we want to ensure that young people can acquire skills such as carpentry and plumbing so that they can remain in their communities and put their skills to use or have the opportunity to move to

the cities and find paid jobs if that is what they choose."

You can donate to Owen's cause by visiting his justgiving page: www.justgiving.com/owen-doel, and you can follow his progress on twitter: @trekforfiji.

Festival lunchtime concerts in Penarth

AS part of the Penarth Summer Festival, All Saints' Church, in Victoria Square, Penarth is once again putting on lunchtime musical recitals every day from Monday, July 6 to Friday, July 10.

Admission is free but donations are welcomed towards the All Saints' Organ Fund. This is the third year that the church has provided this entertainment and audiences have the choice of having their lunch on the mezzanine gallery as they listen, or to sit downstairs. Teas, coffees and cold drinks will be provided.

The invited artists all perform free of charge and this summer there is an enjoyable mix of musical talent on offer including Richard Parry (baritone), Lucas Dwyer (piano), The Lux Quintet (wind instruments), John

Lewis and Nick Treharne (guitar and vocals) and Nigel Lloyd-Latham.

Every concert will start at 1pm and will last approximately an hour. The church is completely accessible to the disabled and a warm welcome is extended to all.

A week of music at All Saints' comes to a conclusion with an organ recital on Sunday, July 12 at 3pm by the resident organist and choirmaster, James Bull. Refreshments will be provided.

More information available on www.allsaintspenarth.org.uk or from the parish administrator on 2070 31 70 and admin@allsaintspenarth.org.uk

Monday, July 6: Richard Parry (baritone), Chris Glynn and friends.

Tuesday, July 7: Lucas Dwyer piano recital.

Wednesday, July 8: The Lux Quintet.



Pippa Cowles ready for take-off.

AIR CADETS from 372 Squadron, have recently experienced the thrills and excitement of flying in the modern Grob Tutor training aircraft; as used by the Royal Air Force.

The Cadets gained a valuable insight into the aircraft's flying capabilities and with No 1 Air Experience Flight based at MoD St Athan, they did not have to travel far. On arrival, they were given all the relevant safety and weather briefings and shown training videos about the aircraft; before being equipped to fly.

Each air experience flight typically lasted 30 minutes, where the Cadets would fly at

approximately 2,500 ft. They were given the opportunity, under the pilot's instructions, to actually control the aircraft; learning to appreciate the effects of the control column to maintain straight and level flight.

Some brave souls also undertook stomach-churning aerobatics – appreciating the world while upside-down! Typically, the pilots would carry out a series of stall turns, wing overs, barrel rolls and loops; with the Cadets' hands actually following through on the control column helping to understand how the aircraft flies.

The Cadets also now have an understanding of the difference between positive and negative G – at first hand! From the air they could clearly see many familiar sights, including their own homes.

The Cadets who flew were: Pippa Cowles, Ellie Poulakis and Rhys Williams and afterwards Pippa said: "Flying the aircraft was easier to control than I imagined; it was so cool, and I can't wait for my next flight!"

If you have a spirit for adventure, 372 (Barry) Squadron have vacancies for boys and girls between 12 – 17 years old (from school year-8). The Squadron parade on Mondays and Wednesdays 7pm – 9.30pm behind Adams Funeral Parlour (by the Memorial Hall) or you can phone the Squadron on 01446 747734 or emai@aircadets.org

Aerobatic Cadets take a look at the world – upside-down!



Rhys Williams prior to take-off.

Regional AM backs RNLI's centre appeal

SOUTH Wales Central Regional AM, Andrew RT Davies, on Monday praised the new RNLI visitor centre and shop attraction at Barry Island which is housed in the old tourist information and police station.

It is open from Tuesday to Sunday (12pm – 4pm).

Currently in the early stages of operation, it's set to undergo a makeover over the summer period with an 'official opening' taking place in early autumn.

Mr Davies said: "Like the traditional RNLI lifeboat stations, the shop is run by a dedicated team of volunteers and as ever,

the organisation is looking to recruit and expand its team.

"This new venture is one of the first set up in the UK by the RNLI and will provide a number of benefits to the local community with a particularly strong focus on education.

"Unfortunately, there are still too many deaths through drowning and with the RNLI aiming to reduce the number of deaths by drowning by 50 per cent by 2024, this centre will act as a significant trailblazer for others across Wales.

Penarth Learning Community wins two excellence awards

PENARTH Learning Community has been named the Project of the Year at the 'Constructing Excellence in Wales Awards 2015'.

The project was also named the winner in the Integration and Collaborative Working category.

Held at the Celtic Manor Resort in Newport on June 12, the awards celebrated some of the best building projects in Wales and all that is great about Welsh construction.

The Penarth Learning Community integrates St Cyres, an 11 to 18 mainstream secondary school, and Ysgol Y Deri, an amalgamation of three to 19 special educational needs

schools, on the same site. In 2015 the project has been shortlisted for ten award schemes, winning four of them, and as a result of its latest success will be entered into the national Constructing Excellence awards on the October 23.

Charity zumba

THERE will be a charity zumba session this Sunday (July 5) at Barry Island (new balcony) in aid of LATCH.

The cost is £5 per person. Registration starts at 3pm, and the session lasts from 3.30pm to 5pm, with qualified zumba instructors.

The Vale of Glamorgan Council MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009 PART 4: MARINE LICENSING APPLICATION FOR A MARINE LICENCE TO REPAIR THE EXISTING SLIPWAY AT DUNRAVEN BAY

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Part 4, Chapter 1, Section 68 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 that Vale of Glamorgan Council has applied to Natural Resources Wales, acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority, for a marine licence to repair the existing slipway at Dunraven Bay. The application and plans showing the position of the works may be inspected at Creative Rural Communities, Old Hall, Cowbridge, Vale of Glamorgan, CF71 7AH.

Representations or objections in respect of the application should be made in writing to: Marine Licensing Team, Cardiff Permitting Centre, Natural Resources Wales, 29 Newport Road, Cambria House, Cardiff, CF24 0TP, or e-mail marinelicensing@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk

Representations or objections should be made within 28 days of the date of this notice, quoting reference: CRML1514

In your representation/objection please include an address to which correspondence may be sent.

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Six years gymnasts

YMCA gymnasts shine at event



Seven years gymnasts

NINE young gymnasts from YMCA Barry Gymnastics Club had an enjoyable time at an invitational event held at Pen Y Bont where they competed against clubs from across south, east and west Wales.

The aim of the competition was to provide a fun introduction to competition. All gymnasts performed routines on vault, bars, beam/bench and tumble.

Azaria Karim competed in the 5 years event where she gained a silver on bench and also gained a special award for her bench routine for her high walks and good jumps.

Emmy Saddler, Mercedes Anderson, Millie Williams, Keeyah Denton and Ruby Price competed in the 6 years event where they climbed onto the podium in third place in the team event. This was a fantastic achievement competing against more than 70 other children in this age group.

Millie had individual success claiming a silver medal on tumble and a sixth place ribbon overall. Mercedes gained a fourth place ribbon for



Azaria Karim.

tumble. All five of the gymnasts in the 6 years category also won special awards for their work and so did Ava Wong, Daisy Hill and Ruby Price, who successfully competed in the 7 years event.

Well done all gymnasts and thank you to Chloe and Sophie for coaching and Karen for judging.

YMCA Barry has welcomed a new head coach into the Female Artistic Recreational Section of the club.

Sophie Erickson is an experienced Level 3 coach who will shortly be undertaking her Level

4 Senior coach qualification at the National Gymnastics Centre in Lilleshall, England.

This is a coveted qualification with only limited spaces available on the course each year. Sophie also coaches within the Competitive section at the club and currently has a gymnast in the Welsh National Prep squad, so she is a welcome addition to the recreational section.

The boys artistic section can also boast having experienced coaches with the head of the boys section being the current Welsh men's national coach.

If your daughter or son is interested in taking part in gymnastics please call YMCA Barry on 01446 724001 to discuss the opportunities available.

Gymnastics classes are available for boys and girls of all ages, in pre-school, rhythmic, artistic and parent/adult and toddler classes also available. You can visit the YMCA Barry Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ymcabbarry>.

Marc turns back clock as veterans end Masters tournament on a high

MARC Sawyer turned back the clock to produce a performance more reminiscent of his youth as he helped Penarth Hockey Club to a winning finish at the National Masters tournament in Swansea.

Although the title was already well beyond Penarth's reach by the time of Sawyer's cameo, a four-goal blitz helped the Vale club put a recent friendly defeat to Bridgend behind them as they ran out 5-1 winners against the same opposition in the final game of the competition.

Benefiting from not having a game earlier in the day – courtesy of Neath's decision to abandon ship – Penarth always had the upper hand on a Bridgend side that had seen their trophy aspirations dashed just half an hour earlier.

Despite missing three key players from the midfield that had battled valiantly on day one of the tournament, Penarth enjoyed the majority of the early pressure, and were rewarded when Sawyer fired home midway through the half.

Although the strike was later countered by a Bridgend reply, Penarth knew the game was there for the taking and, with the defence holding firm, hit the opposition with three quick second half goals – all from the stick of an inspired Sawyer – to put the result beyond doubt. Dave Watkins later added a fifth just to make sure of the points.

Day one of the tournament had been more about Penarth's defence, with

games against the three top teams in the competition ensuring that goalkeeper Mark Harris and the line in front of him were kept busy on what was, for the second year running, a stiflingly hot weekend.

With a couple of key defensive players not due to arrive until after the opening game, keeping host club – and reigning champions – Swansea at bay was never going to be easy. Unfortunately, there was no repeat of last season's heroics as the hosts rallied in the second half to run out winners by six clear goals.

With an hour to lick their wounds, Penarth then faced back-to-back encounters with the various combined squads of Llanishen/Caerphilly/Cwmbran and Whitchurch/Cardiff. Now restored to full defensive strength, the results were better – if still far from perfect – and the side still relied on Harris' spectacular exploits between the sticks to keep the scores respectable.

Sawyer's Sunday performance also highlighted his absence from Saturday's trio of games, with Watkins left to forage solo up front, feeding off the supply efforts of Matt Birch and Dave Thomas and producing a goal in each of the afternoon encounters as some measure of reward.

Sadly, despite the creativity of Richard Clarkson, the guile of Mark Robinson, the industry of Rob Harrison and ebullience of Dave Morgan in midfield, Penarth found themselves under the cosh for much of the day, with the various defensive combinations of Nick Pratt (c),

Ian Smith, Craig Llewellyn, Paul Thomas and Zbig Sobierski toiling endlessly under the sun.

To their credit, Penarth managed to resist each opponent for the first 15 minutes, and went into the interval on a par with eventual champions Whitchurch & Cardiff before going down by the slimmest of margins.

With the game against Neath awarded in Penarth's favour, the Vale side ended the tournament level on points with Bridgend, only to miss out on fourth place on goal difference. The irony was not lost on many.

Penarth's next competitive outings remain at veteran level with a friendly against Llanishen & Caerphilly acting as a warm-up for a trip to Stratford and a return fixture against the touring side that helped produce a 10-goal thriller to end the 2013-14 season.

Penarth Hockey Club always welcomes new, old and returning players, umpires, supporters, friends and helpers regardless of age and ability. Training currently takes place on the artificial turf at Barry Sport Centre every Wednesday, with the juniors in action between 6-7pm and seniors between 7-8pm.

Anyone interested in joining the club at senior or youth level can contact either player-coach Ben Croxall (b_croxall20@yahoo.co.uk) or club secretary Dave Stevens (d_stevens81@hotmail.co.uk) for further information.

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GŴYL FACH Y FRO 2015

11.07.15 • Promenâd Ynys y Barri • 11.30am-7pm

MAE Menter Bro Morgannwg yn trefnu Gŵyl Gerddoriaeth Gymraeg newydd sbon ar Ynys y Barri.

Mae hwn yn bartneriaeth rhwng y Fenter, Cyngor Celfyddydau Cymru, Cyngor Bro Morgannwg a Llywodraeth Cymru, a dyma fydd y tro cyntaf i berfformiadau Gymraeg gael eu llwyfannu fel rhan o'r rhaglen ddigwyddiadau 'Penwythnosau Hwyl Ynys y Barri'.

Cynhelir yr ŵyl ar bromenâd Ynys y Barri, rhwng 11.30am—7pm, ac yn perfformio eleni bydd Al Lewis, Wonderbrass, Carwyn Ellis (prif leisydd Colorama), Kizzy Crawford a Kookamunga, yn ogystal â disgyblion o ysgolion Cymraeg y Sir.

Mae'r Cynghorydd Chris Elmore yn croesawu sefydlu y digwyddiad newydd

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Dyweddodd Bethan Elfyn: "Mae'r newyddion am Gŵyl Fach y Fro 2015 yn ddatblygiad cyffrous iawn i'r ardal. Mae'n wych bod cerddoriaeth Gymraeg yn cael sylw a phlatform cwbl newydd fel hyn ym Mro Morgannwg, ac fel un sy'n byw yn y Sir bellach, rydw i'n edrych ymlaen yn fawr i gael digwyddiad o'r fath ar fy stepen drws. Mae'r arlwy cerddorol yn cynnwys

rhai o artistiaid mwyaf blaengar y sîn gerddoriaeth Gymraeg, ac fe fydd eu perfformiadau'n gosod naws hyfydd i'r ŵyl unigryw hwn ar lannau Ynys y Barri."

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1.35pm—Ysgol Nant Talwg

2.05pm—Carwyn Ellis (Colorama)

3pm—Ysgol Gymraeg Dewi Sant

3.20pm—Ysgol Iolo Morganwg

3.50pm—Kizzy Crawford

5.05pm—Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg

5.35pm—Al Lewis

6.30pm—Kookamunga

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Rwy'n byw yn ardal Y Cnap neu'r Knap.

Beth ydy'r peth gorau am fyw yn ardal y Cnap?

Ein paradwys ni yw'r Cnap. Fel teulu rydym yn hoffi cerdded a weithie rhedeg (!) o gwmpas yr ardal. Ryn ni'n byw talfiaid carreg o'r môr a thalfiad carreg o Barc Romilly ger y llyn, felly mae da ni'r gore o ddau fyd.

Ar ddiwedd bant o'r gwaith, rwy wrth fy modd yn aros adre achos rwy'n teimlo mod i ar fy ngwylie. Dyn ni ddim yn gweld ar y funud y byddwn ni byth yn symud o'r lleoliad lle ryn ni'n byw.

Beth ydy eich diddordebau?

Rwy'n mwynhau gwyltio pob math o chwaraeon ac ers penderfynu roi gore i gyflwyno rhaglen chwaraeon BBC Radio Cymru, "Camp Lawn", rwy wedi penderfynu cael gwersi chwarae golff o fis Medi.

Rhowch 5 gair i ddisgrifio'r Fro.
Cyfeillgar; Prydferth; Gne neu Pori; Lloches; Paradwys.

Ydych chi'n edrych ymlaen at Gwpan Rygbi'r Byd fis Medi? Yn eich barn chi, beth yw gobeithion Cymru?

Rwy wir yn edrych ymlaen at y gystadleuaeth. Yn anffodus i Gymru, mae da nhw grŵp anodd gyda Awstralia a Lloegr. Bydd Lloegr adre yn Twickenham yn dilyn o her a wedyn gorffod ceisio curo Awstralia yn Twickenham yn gem ola'r grŵp.

Er bod Cymru wedi dod yn agos iawn i glwyfio nhw, dyn nhw ddim wedi wado'r Wallabies yn y 10 gem ddiwetha. Yn diddodol ar yn diwrnod, Hydref 10fed, bydd tîm pêl-droed Cymru mas yn Bosnia, o bosib yn chwarae yn y gem dyngedfennol i sicrhau eu lle yn rowndie terfynol Ewro 2016 yn Ffrainc. All y dyddiad hwn fod yn ddyddiad hanesyddol.

Cymru yn curo Awstralia a thîm pêl-droed Cymru yn ennill eu lle yn eu pencampwriaeth cynta ers 1958. WDW!

Beth yw eich uchelgais am y dydd mlynedd nesaf?
Rwy wir yn gobeithio bydd bywyd yn parhau fel y mae e ar y funud. Ryn



ni fel teulu yn hapus yn y Barri.

O ran gwaith, parhau i gyflwyno'n rhaglen ddyddiol ar BBC Radio Wales bob prynhawn Llun-lau rhwng 1pm-4pm. (plyg bach!)

Mae ngŵr yn hyfforddwr pêl-droed gyda'r tîmau dan 17, 19 a 21 Cymru ac mae e wrth ei fod yn ôl yng Nghymru ar ôl treulio cyfnodau yn yr Amwythig a Watford. Un uchelgais fawr creu mwy o amser yn ein bywydau prysur i deithio mwy - fawr hynny yn gret.

Gyda'ch profiad helaeth yn cyflwyno rhaglenni radio a theledu, mae'n siwr eich bod wedi cwrdd â nifer o bobl enwog a chymeriadau diddorol dros y blynyddoedd. Pa gyfweiliad sy'n aros fwyaf yn y cof?

Rwy wedi bod yn ffodus iawn o gael y cyfle i gyfweilio a nifer o enwogion fel rhan o'n rhaglen ar BBC Radio Wales. Mae wir yn anodd cofio pawb... Pobl fel Barry Manilow, Roger Moore, Annie Lennox, Sarah Millican, Graham Norton, Kit Harrington (Game of Thrones) i enwi ond rhai.

Dwy nath greu argarf araf achos ro'n nhw MOR normal! Merched a'u traed ar y ddaear, oedd Shaerlock Spitteri, prif leisydd Texas, a Paloma Faith. Dim ffys ac yn lyfili. Ond ges i gyfle i gynnal sgwrs da Paul Young, fy "childhood crush". Ga'th breuddwyd ei wireddu y prynhawn hwnnw!

Gyda pwy fawch chi'n hoffi cael pryd o fwyd?

Unrhywun sy'n fodlon talu! Ond os dewis un enw - Ricky Gervais.

Pwy ydych chi'n eu hedmygu?

Pobl sy'n ddeur, yn gryf ac yn onest.

Beth yw eich gwyliau delfrydol?

Ryn ni'n gwersylla pob gwylie haf felly fyddde gwesty 5 seren ar Ynys bellennig fel y Maldive's yn siwtio'n iawn.

Le yw eich hoff dafarn neu fwty yn y Fro?

Y Galeri ar Broad Street yn y Barri.

Mynd am Dro yn y Fro... i Llandochau Fach

gan David Wyn

MAE tymor y gwyliau ar ein pennau - gan gynnwys Gŵyl Fach y Fro yn Y Barri wrth gwr - mae'n weddol amserol felly i sôn am gysylltiad agos sydd rhwng Glastonbury a fy mhentref i, sef Llandochau Fach.

Roedd yr Abbott Cyngar sef Dochdwy (neu Dochan, Docheu a Docunni hefyd yn ôl Alan Thorne yn ei lyfr *Place Names of Penarth* 1997) wedi croesi'r Môr Hafren ar ei daith o Glastonbury i lano ger "mynydd mawr". Llywernog - ble saif clogwyni Penarth heddiw efallai - ac yna ar hyd yr Afon Elai (sydd eisoes wedi ennill ei blwyf yn y golofn hon) cyn dringo naill ai Ffordd y Pil neu Fryn Llandochau i gyrraedd man a oedd yn ei blesio yn fawr o ran golygfa - "a pleasant prospect indeed" ble sylfaenodd felly ei fynachdy.

Dyna ble cawn ni'r enw Llan - (sef eglwys neu blwyf wrth gwr) - Dochan. Ac mae'r olygfa dros Gaerdydd yr un mor gosgeiddag ag oedd y "prospect" bryd hynny mae'n siwr.

Hyd heddiw, ceir Ffordd Dochdwy ym mhentref Llandochau Fach yn ogystal ag un o ysbtyai fwyaf pwysig De Cymru; un ag arbenigirwdd yn nhrin cleifion sydd wedi eu gwenwyno yn ogystal â iechyd meddwl yn fwyaf arbennig, ond sydd erbyn hyn yn ymddelio gyda phob math o anhawsterau gan gynnwys fy anaf peldroed a daeth â diwedd i fy ngyrfa i dim

Bydd eich Pwyllgor yn cyfarfod yn fuan i drefnu rhaglen diddorol a chyffrous ar eich cyfer dros fisosedd y gaef.

Byddwn yn ail-ddechrau ganol Mis Medi eleni. Gwylwch y gofod hwn am fwy o fanylion.

y pentref, Llandough FC.

Clywid pethau da - a dim mor dda - yngllyn â'r Gymraeg yn yr ysbty, fel sy'n wir am gwasanaeth iechyd yn gyffredinol, a fel nes i sôn yn fy erthygl i gylchgrawn Tafod Eisteddfod yr Urdd Caerfili (ac am Steiddfod oedd hi hefyd chwarae teg!); mae yna Gymry Cymraeg yn gweithio yn yr ysbty nad sydd yn cael y cyfle i siarad Cymraeg oherwydd y diffyg angen - gwisgwch eich bathodyn "Cymraeg" petacech yn glaf yno felly!

Os oes gennoch chi bryderon neu newyddion da am y wasanaethau iechyd dewch i rannu eich profiadau gyda Joella Price, Dysgwyr y Flwyddyn Eisteddfod Genedlaethol 2014 sydd yn gweithio i fwrdd iechyd Caerdydd a'r Fro ac sy'n cynnal noson ar y cyd â Cymdeithas Penarth ar Nos Iau 2il yn Windsor Arms o 7.30yh; am fwy o fanylion cysylltwch â mi - David Wyn 02920 707 469 david@cymunedau.org.

A beth am yr enwau Llandochon (1100) Llandocw (1200) Llandocw (1300) a hyd yn oed Llandigh-by-Pennarth (1542)? Wel enwau eraill ar Llandochau Fach oedd y rhain i gyd, ac nid y Llandochau arall ger y Bontfaen (sef Llandochau Fawr felly?), ble nad oedd yna fynachdy o hyd at 12 o fynachod a oedd yn un o dri cymuned* pwysica'r Santiaur Celtaidd cynnar (sef Cadoc, Cadfan, Cornelius a Gildas) fel y fu yma, yn Llandochau Fach, ochrau Penarth.

*Y cymunedau hollbwysig eraill: Llanilltud Fawr a Llancafan.

Hwyl a Llwyddiant yn ystod Wythnos Addysg i Oedolion



ROEDD Rhwydwaith Dysgu'r Fro yn brysuriawn yn ystod Wythnos Addysg i Oedolion eleni gyda nifer fawr o weithgareddau drwy gydol y cyfnod.

Trefnwyd gweithdai drwy'r wythnos i wella sgiliau pobl ac i'w helpu i hybu hyder i ffeindio gwaith.

Ar nos Iau 18 Mehefin cynhaliwyd Seremoni Wobrwy yng Ngholeg Caerdydd a'r Fro i ddathlu'r rheiny a gafodd eu henwebu ar gyfer Gwobrau Ysbyrdoli Cenedlaethol Addysg i Oedolion NIACE Dysgu Cymru.

Ymysg yr enillwyr oedd Michaela Richardson, un o ddysgwyr Canolfan Cymraeg i Oedolion Caerdydd a'r Fro. Enillodd y wobwr ar gyfer Dysgwyr Cymraeg ac hefyd enillwyd y wobwr ar gyfer y Tiwtor gorau gan Sarian Thomas, sef tiwtor Cymraeg arbennig sy'n weithgar iawn yn y Fro.

Parhaodd yr hwyl ar ddydd Gwener 19 Mehefin - Daeth llawer o rieni, plant a dysgwyr i fwynhau paned a chacen am ddim, celf a chrefft, cyrsiau blasu, ac ymweliadau gan Peppa Pinc a Sam Tân yn y diwrnod Cymraeg dros banded yn yr Hen

Neuadd, y Bontfaen.

Iorffenn yn wythnos daeth nifer o'r partneriaid at ei gilydd ar Ynys y Barri i godi ymwybyddiaeth am gyrsiau i oedolion yn y Fro. Cynhaliwyd sesiynau blasu Cymraeg gan Ganolfan Cymraeg i Oedolion Caerdydd a'r Fro, sesiwn Tai Chi gan Fforwm 50+, Sesiwn Gelf a Chrefft gan Cynfor y Fro a llawer o ffrifis gan Goleg Caerdydd a'r Fro.

Roedd y diwrnod yn llwyddiant mawr â nifer fawr o bobl yn dangos diddordeb mewn pob math o gyrsiau ac yn mwynhau'r arddangosfa hanesyddol o'r Barri a grewyd gan Llyfrgell y Barri.

Dwedodd Gwenllian Willis, Swyddog Marchnata Canolfan Cymraeg i Oedolion Caerdydd a'r Fro: Roedd e wir yn bleser i weithio â nifer fawr o'r partneriaid trwy gydol yr wythnos bwysig hon ac roedd yn gret i weld cymaint o diddordeb!"

Wythnos llwyddiannus i bawb, felly! Os hoffech chi glywed rhagor am gyrsiau sydd ar gael i chi yn y Fro, ewch i www.learnwelsh.co.uk ar gyfer cyrsiau Cymraeg i oedolion ac i <http://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk> ar gyfer cyrsiau eraill i oedolion.

ANGHARAD

RYDYM ni bobl y Fro yn cael ein sbwylio'n llwyr y pythefnos nesa 'ma. Wedi'r cwbl pa le bynnag run ni'n byw yn y Fro ni'n ddigon agos i Gaerdydd ac os oes unrhyw wyl sy'n werth ymweld â hi - Tafwyl yw honno.

Ac eleni, wythnos ar ôl Tafwyl fe fydd Gŵyl Fach y Fro hefyd yn dod â holl fwrwm ac egni Cymreictod yr ardal i'r cabanau bach pren llwgar ar Ynys y Barri.

Tafwyl i ddechrau. Gŵyl fechan yn nhafarn y Mochyn Du dyfodd i fod yn un o brif wyliau'r brifddinas yng ngerddi castell Caerdydd, ac eleni, am ddeuddydd cyfan.

Gyda stondinau amrywiol yn gwerthu pob math o nwyddau diddorol; rhai o grwpiau



hynafol - heb dalu 'run geiniog.

Ac os ydych chi, neu'r plant yn hoff o chwaraeon bydd cwpan rygbi'r byd yn cael ei arddangos yno dydd Sadwrn, a dydd Sul - wel - bydd rhai o dim criced Lloegr yn paratoi at gem yr Ashes wrth fynd i Tafwyl i ddyddu bach o Gyfraeg!

Rhwng deuddeg ac un o'r gloch bydd rhai o'r tîm yn cael gwersi Cymraeg i roi bach o hwb i'w gobeithion nhw cyn y gem fawr yn stadïwm Swalec.

Ar ôl yr holl gyffro, ymhen wythnos bydd gŵyl arall wicp - Gŵyl Fach y Fro ar Ynys y Barri. Unwaith eto, ni fydd angen yr un ddim goch i fwynhau artistiaid fel Carwyn Ellis, Kizzy Crawford ac Al Lewis. Diwrnod cyfan o hwyl dan haul yr haf.

Gŵyl Fach y Fro a Tafwyl, dwy wyl wych sy'n ffenest wicp anyhogo i hyrwyddu Cymru a Chymreictod. Ydi, mae'n gyfnod euraidd i fyw yn y Fro!

Sêr Eiry - Gemini

OS cawsoch eich geni rhwng Mehefin 21ain a Gorffennaf 19eg - rydych chi dan arwydd Cancer.

Arwydd dwr dan reolaeth y lleuad, er bod yr Haul ar ei anterth adeg eich geni. Person annwyl a thriw, ac yn person sensitif, hynod o emosïynol, a dagraeul ar adegau.

Mi fyddwch chi'n dianc i'ch cragen fel y cranc os fyddwch chi'n synhwyro perygl, neu'n ei chael hi'n anodd i wynebu sefyllfa.

Fe allwch chi fod yn swil ac ofnus, ond mewn argyfwng rydych chi'n graig o ddewdr. Dyddych chi ddim mor feddal a mae rhai pobl yn dybio a mi fyddwch yn



cuddio'ch teimladau dryfnaf yn aml o dan gragen galed y cranc.

Mae'r cartre a'r teulu'n hollbwysig i chi. Rydych yn berson teyrngar tu hwnt i'ch teulu i'ch gwlad ac i'ch cyfeillion. Eich tŷ yw eich castell, ac mi fyddwch wrth eich bod yn ei harddu; a rydych chi'n giamster am gadw tŷ a choginio.

Yn feddyliol, mae'r gallu gyda chi i ganolbwyntio'n ddwys ar unrhyw bwn. ac mae gyda chi ddychymyg byw iawn a chof aruthrol. Rydych chi'n hoffi casglu pethau, yn ymddiddori mewn hanes ac yn gwirioni ar anifeiliaid anwes yn enwedig cathod.

A phan bydd pethau'n mynd yn drech na chi mae angen lle tawel amoch chi i encilio iddo. Ond i'r gwrthwynebydd rydych chi'n dal dig ac yn pwrddu'n hawdd, a bydd unrhyw feiniadaeth yn eich brifo'n ddwfn.

A rydych chi'n un ofnadwy am boeni a beco am unrhyw beth! Canseriaid enwog - Hywel Gwynfryn, Huw Ceredig, Helen Mary Jones, Katherine Jenkins, Alwyn Samuel, Sian Lloyd (y tywydd).

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BELLACH daeth ein tymor i ben, a bydd ein Pwyllgor yn cyfarfod yn fuan i drefnu rhaglen diddorol a chyffrous ar eich cyfer dros fisosedd y gaef.

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ROBERT PRICE PROUD TO SPONSOR UNDER-19s



BARRY Town United under-19s are relaxing after another successful season.

The youth section of Barry Town United have been impressive once again during their 2014/15 season; putting in some great performances throughout the year.

The team is continuing to go from strength to strength with some fantastic youth development and player improvements evident this year.

Robert Price Builders' Merchants are

proud to have sponsored the Barry Town under-19s once again this season, with the team's kit sponsorship package. Molly Pike, marketing manager at Robert Price, commented: "It is great to be able to support a local club in Barry, especially one which is such an integral part of the community. The team and individual players seem to progress each season and we are really pleased to be able to back them. I'm very much hoping to continue the sponsorship partnership next season."

Neil Owens, the team's manager, said

"We've had a good year and the boys are really developing. We had four players play a few times for the first team, which is what their development is all about; getting the players ready for top level football. We have one year left at this level so hopefully we can continue to advance."

"Without Robert Price's sponsorship the club wouldn't be able to compete at this level and wouldn't be able to give the boys this great opportunity to do something they enjoy."

MP

Barry Plastics prove to be too strong for Cadoxton's bowlers

ON a nice evening Cadoxton were the visitors to Barry Plastics, and had no reason to complain about the condition of the green; however they were overcome by a much better team.

Howard Craven's rink started off well against Graham Brown, taking an early 5-2 lead, which increased after a '4', on the eighth end to 11-4. However they capitulated by scoring on only four more ends to lose narrowly.

The rink skipped by John Jones managed only seven winning ends to lose heavily. A similar fate occurred on the rink skipped by Don Kuhnell who came up against club champion, Charles Coomber. He was in superlative form, and only allowed five winning ends to the visitors.

There was a winning rink for Cadoxton. It was skipped by Kelvin Chedzoy, with Alan Goddard as his opposite number. The lead was taken early in the game, and by the sixth end the score was 7-3.

On the 11th end a '5' boosted the score to 14-6, which was enough to combat a slight recovery from the home side during the closing stages.

Scores: J Stacey, R Byrne, G Davies, H Craven 15-19 R Knight, B Curtis, G Currie, G

Brown; E Heppenstall, A Field, D Brook, J Jones 9-25 B Hutchins, L Adams, D Rogan, M Phillips; S Clements, I Heppenstall, D Hammond, K Chedzoy 18-13 J Smith, T Peters, C Clay, A Goddard; G Powell, A Prince, I Robertson, D Kuhnell 6-26 D Burbidge, P Robbins, G Trickett, C Coomber. Final score: 48-83.

CADOXTON V BELLE VUE – CML6

Cadoxton's CML game was played at Belle Vue this week on a pleasant afternoon.

The outcome was another league success with two winning and two losing rinks, but the aggregate score was in their favour.

The rink with the best result was skipped by Howard Craven against Brian Morgan. The visitors took an early 6-0 advantage and continued throughout the game in complete control, conceding shots on just eight ends.

The Roy Harding rink also had a good win, but not before a tussle in the session before the break for tea, when they trailed 5-8.

The break gave them a new momentum with a '4' to start followed by a run to reach 16-10. The advantage was narrowed with 4 shots against during the next three ends; however a '3' and a single ensured the points.

A disappointing result was the outcome of the match between John Jones and Malcolm Thomas. The visitors had taken an 8-0 advantage after scoring a '5' on the third end. This was increased to 14-2 before the break.

Unfortunately, on the resumption only one shot was added during 10 ends, and left them one shot behind. On the penultimate end another single brought the scores level, but a single to the home side gave them the narrow win.

On the fourth rink there was a superb match, with good bowls from both sides. Don Kuhnell found the opposing skip, Dave Purser, in fine form, who altered the heads into his rink's favour with frustrating regularity, some times with good shots, but also many with fortunate luck.

Consequently Don had to be also on top form to keep the score within an acceptable margin, to assure the aggregate success.

Scores: H Hellyar, G Davies, I Robertson, D Kuhnell 13-20 D Smith, P Booth, B Baswell, D Purser; P Swannick, D Evans, K Chedzoy, R Harding 20-14 F Keen, G Ford, T Fiord, P Paterson; J Stacey, L Davies, D Brook, J Jones 16-17 R Fletcher, G Thomas, D Miller, M Thomas; R Byrne, L Adams, D Jeffries, H Craven 23-12 R Brant, R Patterson, R Fitzjohn, B

Morgan. Final score: 72-63.

CADOXTON 'A' V MILLWOOD 'A' – CML7

Cadoxton 'A' side were able to field a full team for the first time this season, but were still unable to open their points score.

Although David Fanning skipped a rink to a two shot lead, the four remaining ends were narrowly conceded. Dennis Hammond was also in with a chance at 10-13, only to drop a '4' on the next with two ends left. A '2' was scored with a single against.

Graham Garland held a 13-8 lead on his rink after 12 ends but managed just two more singles. The fourth rink was outclassed by the visitors.

Scores: P Robbins, A Carpenter, I Heppenstall, D Fanning 16-19 B Howcroft, M Evans, A Annis, A Thompson; S Clements, R Cole, B Knight, D Hammond 12-18 G Stone, D Woodfin, K Thomas, J Butler; G Powell, A Field, A Prince, G Garland 15-24 K Lewis, E Marles, A Hardwick, A Norris; E Heppenstall, J Smart, R Morris, B Curtis 9-35 S Sewell, H Hodgkinson, R Thomas, AA Williams. Final score: 52-96.

CADOXTON V MILLWOOD – ALAN MARTIN TROPHY

Cadoxton were drawn

to play Millwood, away, in the Alan Martin Trophy. They were pleased that the morning rain had ceased, but not too pleased with the outcome of the match.

Don Kuhnell had Brian Croxford as his opposing skip and fell behind 5-1 in the early exchanges. However by the ninth end the scores were level at 6-6.

They remained level at eight and nine before the visitors had a good run to build an advantage, which was held until the end, despite losing five shots on the last two ends.

Howard Craven skipped the other rink against Keith Davies. The home team took command from the off. The remainder of the game went mainly in favour of the visitors who scored 12 shots against 4 during the next 10 ends.

Five shots were saved by Keith, with his last bowl on the 18th end, which took away any chance of a remarkable comeback. A four scored by the home side on the penultimate end meant there was no need to play the last.

Scores: P Swannick, J Jones, K Chedzoy, D Kuhnell 17-14 M Lucas, M Williams, J Slee, B Rockford; R Byrne, L Adams, D Jeffries, H Craven 13-29 B Davies, J Howells, H Spencer, K Davies. Final score: 30-43.

DK

Bryan lands title - and breaks record!

FORTY members and guests of the Glamorgan Farmers' Golf Society enjoyed a full day's golf last Friday when visiting the Knowle Golf Club situated in the centre of Bristol.

Playing for the Payton, Jewell & Caines Trophy and one of the many excellent prizes supplied by generous sponsor Mr John Caines, the final result went to the last putt on the 18th green for Bryan Owen to secure victory over Mike King.

Both finished with 35 stableford points and both had similar scores over the last nine holes. However a better score over the final six holes secured a place in golfing history for Bryan Owen to become the oldest member of the society to win this coveted trophy.

In third place with 32 points was Dai John and also with the same score was Julian Golinski, who finished in fourth place.

In the section for visitors, Dave Harris, a guest of Chris Rooney, finished in first place with 33 points and Henry Filer, a guest of David Williams, finished runner-up with 31 points.

Nearest the pin on the Llanerch Vineyard & Restaurant par 3 holes were Dave Harris, Clive Edwards, Dan Jarvis, Mark Rees and also a



Sponsor John Caines with winning golfers Bryan Owen, Dave Harris and Mike King.

jubilant Bryan Owen.

Bryan's successful day was completed when collecting the Premier Turf sponsored bottle of whiskey by correctly guessing 41 balls would be left on the other side of the Severn estuary.

A recent change in his diet enabled Clive Thomas to collect the Bear Hotel, Cowbridge-sponsored prizes when hitting the longest drive of the day on the selected hole, just seeing off the challenge of Tosh Taylor.

In the morning Texas scramble competition played over nine holes the winning team with a nett score of 30.65 were Geraint Davies, Julian Golinski, Tosh Taylor and Ray Howells, who unfortunately parted company with his prize before having the opportunity of taking it

home.

The runner-up team was Aubrey Thomas, Aubrey Bowen, Jim Hayes and guest Bob Glover.

The society wish to place on record the sincere appreciation to Cowbridge-based Glamorgan Law for coming to the aid of the Farmers' Society by generously contributing towards the cost of transport for the day.

The society's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 16, when Brian Jones will host captain's day at RAF St Athan Golf Club. With a stable full of prizes and a drinks cabinet creaking at the hinges, members can really look forward to a special day and night!

T.McC

Karate Wales students excel at Belgian event

AFTER a successful IKU European Championships in Santarem, Portugal, Karate Wales were again in action only a week later, as a delegation including 26 athletes, a referee, five coaches and the president, vice-president and two directors, made the trip to the WUKF European Championships, which were held in Liege, Belgium, from June 3-7.

The Vale was well represented, with Vale Karate, based at Barry's YMCA Hub under Karate Wales president Rob Copeland, and director Lee Costa's Welsh Karate Jutsu-Kai having several members of the Karate Wales Squad.

The competition got underway in an understated way, with the preliminary rounds of all Kumite team events starting at 2pm on Thursday afternoon.

Penarth's Trinity and Krisiny Hutchinson were members of Karate Wales' female mini-cadets team who had a tough first round, narrowly losing to Romania. Meanwhile the boys mini-cadets team, which included Harrison Williams of Penarth and Josh Dwyer from Barry did better, beating the English FEKO team, before losing to the eventual winners Belarus, nevertheless securing Wales' first medals of the Championships, bronzes.

Friday started with a bang as the stadium was buzzing from the beginning, with a thousand children from countries around Europe awaiting their chance on the tatami!

Young Griff Hughes from Penarth is a huge talent in Kata and after the

preliminary round his performance of Jion put him in second place. Unfortunately his final Kata Bassai Dai was not quite so well received, and he slipped to bronze medal position - still a great result at his international debut!

As the kata events came to an end, the kumite began, and again Karate Wales were in the thick of the action! The Penarth siblings, Connery and Keana Hutchinson, always do well at WUKF events and again didn't disappoint, each winning bronze medals.

Christopher Slack went even better, reaching the final! Chris stepped up to a new level, beaten narrowly in the final to take a fantastic silver.

The Vale Karate trio of Chris, Harrison and Josh showed their all-round talent, as, representing Wales, they reached the final of the mini-cadets Team Kata in fourth position (Chris stepped up from the 11-12 year old 'childrens' categories to the 13-14 years 'mini-cadets' as the rules allow this).

In the final they pulled off their favourite Kata 'Kanku Sho' in great style, earning joint top marks of the day to move up to third and take the bronze medals.

Leah Copeland from Barry was Wales' final fighter in action, and although improving all the time, came up against the Romanian number one in her semi-final, and unable to get past her, was forced to settle for the bronze medal to bring the curtain down on another extremely successful event for Karate Wales.

RC

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Brynhill men's golf results

JUNE 7, Four man waltz - winners: Dave Slee, Mike Knight, Mat Llundrigan, Bradley Dodd 115 points.

June 14, Dave Bruce Cup - winner Dave Morris 69 nett, runner-up Aeron Smith 70 nett.

June 20/21, club championship qualifiers, Howell Hughes Cup and Chief Buck Rabbit; these qualifiers are run over two days and then proceed to a knockout format.

June 28, Tennessee Cup (gross comp) - winner Scott Warne (best gross 74). June 28, Bob Hope Trophy (nett comp) - winner Doug Griggs nett 66, runner-up Steve Gould nett 68 on countback.

SENIORS

League results: The seniors section have had a very successful June. June 4, Brynhill v

Caerphilly away, winners Caerphilly; June 11 Brynhill v Dinas Powys home, winners Brynhill; June 18, Brynhill v Llantrisant home, winners Brynhill with a very successful win, 5.5-2.5; June 25, Brynhill v Caerphilly home, winners Brynhill 6-2.

Club results: June 8, Tony Pateman Cup - winner Dafydd Howells 41 points, runners-up Nigel Cockram 39 points. June 22, Seniors Championship - winner John Kirkpatrick 40 points (count back), runner-up Chris White 40 points.

Men's first team results: June 18, Brynhill v Glamorganshire home, winners Brynhill; the team have qualified for the Welsh team championships. Men's second team results: June 4, Brynhill v Radyr away, winners Radyr.

JK

Mixed bowlers suffer a loss to Newbridge

ON Sunday, a mixed team of six rinks of Llantwit Major bowlers went to Newbridge, which is an annual home or away fixture.

When we arrived it was wet and miserable, but during the match the sun began to shine.

The company, as always, was wonderful and the game was played in good spirits and with much humour.

It was decided at the beginning to play 18 ends, but with the weather improving, it was changed to 21. At the halfway stage Llantwit were three rinks up and three rinks down, with the score at Llantwit 45, Newbridge 58.

By the end of the match Llantwit still had three rinks up and three rinks down but Newbridge had held on

to the lead, winning 126-102.

The rinks were: M.Horgan, K. Williams, C. Williams and C. Willmot 17-30; A.Horgan, J. Fox, J. Nixon and M. Adams 22-13; G.Fox, L. Oatley, K. Garrison and E. Gray 20-14; F. Pike, P. Pike, H.Nixon and A. Hayes 19-16; K.Johns, D. Oatley, D.John's and J. Molly 9-32; J. Ball, N.Baez, E.Nichols and R.Gray 15-21.

The winners of the diddler was Mike Adams' rink, of which he commented that the win was down to the front end of Ambrose Horgan and Joan Fox, who played really well and set them up every time.

A great time was had by all and we look forward to seeing them at Llantwit next year.

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Millwood bowls news

A good win for Millwood 'A' side after the bad loss against Llantwit Major saw a hefty 44 shot winning margin, 96-52, thereby securing the maximum 14 points that were lost in the previous game!

With the first quarter of the game played, Millwood had a six shot advantage to lead by 23-17, increasing the lead to 46-29 at the 10th end.

Putting more pressure on to the home side, the visitors, after the 15th end had been played, were leading by 25 shots at 64-39, then finishing the 21st end to win the game.

Credit must go to rink 5, skipped by Tony Williams, for the big 26 shot win, which helped a great deal, though all bowlers played their part.

Well played Millwood, but without Cadoxton bowlers there would not have been the competitive game that it was - thank you to both sides.

Millwood 'A' side are home this Saturday to

Rumney 'A', looking to keep pace with the leaders in the Division - good luck 'A' side, you can do it!

This two rink Alan Martin Cup game against Cadoxton was played after the drizzle had stopped at lunchtime, the green drying out nicely enabling both sides to enjoy this encounter.

With the first five ends played, Millwood had leapt into a 16-3 lead, which after 10 ends had increased to a 27-9 margin. Cadoxton then started to pull back on Millwood's lead, and after 15 ends the lead was 32-19, but Millwood managed to fend off the late challenge by Cadoxton to see off the 21st end to win by a margin of 13 shots, 43-30.

Millwood now advance to round two of the cup, to be played on Sunday, July 19, at home.

After the game, it was nice to socialise again with some ex-Millwood players, and wish them well for the rest of the season - thank you Cadoxton.

JH

GOLFER LANDS HOLE-IN-ONE

A Barry golfer will have no excuse for missing his next tee-time after winning a limited-edition BOSS watch for achieving a hole-in-one.

Philip Gershenson, 65, scored his ace on the 150-yard, par-three third at Brynhill GC, and the 14-handicapper was rewarded with membership of the exclusive BOSS Watches H1Club and a specially-commissioned, commemorative timepiece.

In addition to the limited-edition watch, Gershenson joins more than 7,000 members in the BOSS Watches H1Club which offers access to exclusive benefits and merchandise.

Munro win for men bowlers

LLANTWIT MAJOR mens bowlers visited Dinas Powys for their Wednesday night Munro Cup match taking 13 points in a 85-59 shot win.

Graham Jones' rink, in a pretty even game, saw the lead fluctuate throughout the match. Llantwit held a four shot advantage on the 15th end only to lose the final three ends to draw the game.

Steve Booker's rink were four shots down after three ends. After pulling back to draw level they then lost the next following three ends to again be four shots down. Llantwit then made it a close tussle with Llantwit taking four shots on the final end to win by three shots.

Charles Hiscock's rink had a great start, taking a nine shot lead after only four ends. Llantwit went behind on the 11th end only to hit back immediately, scoring seven shots. Llantwit remained ahead for the rest of the game to win by two shots.

Neville Young's rink were always on top, taking a seven shot lead after two ends. With the rink combining well Llantwit were never in danger of being overtaken, winning all but five ends in a 21 shot win.

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Bridge results

RESULTS for the Vale of Glamorgan bridge club for June 29:

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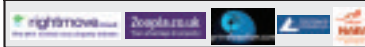
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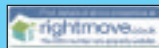
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Mid terraced bay fronted, through living room, extended kitchen/breakfast, 3 bedrooms, shower room, in need of modernisation, no chain. ER=E.
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End of terraced bay fronted, original features throughout, living room, dining room, breakfast room, shower room, 3 double bedrooms, no chain, in need of some modernising. Agents note: no kitchen (sold as seen). EPC=D.
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Mid terraced bay fronted, through living room, WC cloakroom, kitchen/diner, 3 bedrooms, spacious family bathroom, 23ft basement room, no chain. ER=D.
£175,000**YMCA BUILDINGS, WOODLANDS ROAD, BARRY**
1 bedroom first floor apartment, living room, open plan kitchen - integrated appliances, designated car parking, town centre location, no chain. ER=C.
£69,950**MAIN STREET, BARRY**
Ground floor apartment, 2 double bedrooms, living room, fitted kitchen, enclosed rear garden, no chain. ER=D.
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Modern semi-detached, 2 bedrooms, living room, enclosed rear garden, parking to front. ER=D.
£111,950**ST OSWALDS ROAD**
Mid terraced traditional, through living/dining, replacement kitchen, 2 double bedrooms, family bathroom, enclosed rear garden, viewing essential. ER=E.
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Penarth is caught up in housebuilding boom

LOCAL historian Brian Keitch continues his series on Penarth's development.

WITH the dock completed and open for business, the need for accommodation for local workers (and now sailors) meant being a stonemason was a pretty good profession.

If you were the owner of a quarry then you were almost a member of the elite. The preponderance of lias limestone in and around Penarth (and of course the rest of the Vale) – its flat characteristics – and in blocks which nature provided in this sedimentary rock – was ideal for house construction and paving stones!

In addition, the rock could be broken up into stones as hardcore for the many roadways that were going to be needed. Prior to this, local 'roads' were simply muddy unmade tracks. With limestone there was a further benefit – lime for farms, sanitary reasons and not least as a base for mortar and cement.

Quarrying on a small scale had carried on for centuries – usually for farm buildings and agricultural limekilns (an excellent example being on Ashby Road,

Sully – though kilns can be found scattered all over the Vale).

In Penarth, the stone required was right on the doorstep. There was quarrying going on below Queen's Road. There were kilns too. A horse and cart would do the job nicely, but there were tramlines as well.

At the heart of the 'new town' was an important quarry next to Belle Vue Cottage. Builders could literally fill up the stone and get cracking building houses on the new roads nearby. Another quarry was situated in the cliff below Penarth Head. Needless to say at these locations there was little need to slog up steep tracks to the top of town.

An alternative was to collect stones from the beach, though most appeared to be in the domain of commercial quarrying.

It was not just in Penarth that quarrymen dug up stone. Leckwith had two stone quarries, and Llandough three. Later, as Penarth expanded southward – especially after the arrival of railway passenger services in 1878, limestone – which was just beneath the soil – was extracted in two large quarries at Cwrt y fil.

The Cwrt y fil quarries (not to be confused with the

cement works and associated quarries in lower Penarth) were located at what is now the 'Old Penarthians' rugby ground. Initially a smaller quarry slightly to the north – near the Cefn Mably Hotel, supplied lime with its own kiln and tramway.

By the 1880s the two merged and chief extraction of stone was for house building. A new tramway was constructed – which was much to the pleasure of the local board – "due to the large quantities of stones conveyed... thus saving the Parish Road (from much damage)".

TRAMWAY

The parish road mentioned was later called Stanwell Road. Within a few years, a whole new community emerged nearby – known as Morristown – named after builder William Morris who went on to be a major figure in local politics.

He was a major house builder in Penarth and no doubt was a prime mover in the construction of the tramway. The Cardiff Directory of 1888/9 reveals that many inhabitants of Morristown were masons, to dress the stone, excavators to dig it out and various labourers. It must have been quite a lively place – with its own pub, a

mile or so from Penarth!

It is unlikely that the Cwrt y fil tramway had the use of steam traction – there is no evidence of any shed to accommodate one. The horse almost certainly provided the motive power! The Cwrt y fil tramway seems to have faded away by the 1920s – maps show it as derelict, but for many who played cricket, hockey and rugby for Penarth Athletic Club, the field behind the grandstand was for many years known as the 'trolleyline'.

Pupils of Evenlode Primary School might be interested to know that at one time a railway ran through their school playground!

It was a similar story at Llandough. The remains of one quarry can still be made out along Cogan Pill lane (the bridge under the lane is still there). The main quarry though, was behind what is now Greenway Road. There is a fascinating photograph of the quarry in operation. Obviously posed – the photograph shows workers poised on planks with wheel barrows.

Standing to the right of the picture appears to be the supervisor or manager of the works. After all, in those days to pose for a

photographer was quite a novelty – taken by – in this case Lee Brothers of Cardiff – and printed in the commercial directory at that! There appear to be about 20 workers pictured with a horse the means of pulling the wagons.

As the quarry expanded, a small tank locomotive called *Taff* was employed to do the haulage. The works belonged to one D Thomas whose office was at 2, Old Wharf, Cardiff. The company be out that it distributed stone and lime across south Wales – 'Colliery and Iron Works, Companies, Contractors and Builders'.

With Penarth and Cardiff fast expanding communities, there was no shortage of business!

TRAGIC

There was, however, one major problem: as they quarried downwards the water table was hit – making further extraction difficult if not impossible.

It also had tragic consequences – the Belle Vue quarry in Penarth filled up with water and became an attraction for pupils at Penarth Board School opposite. One Fred Sandford almost drowned there in 1876 – but was rescued.

Not so lucky, later in the same year were

Llandough quarry.



William Richards and his little brother, who fell into the water and did not survive.

The quarry was then filled in and is now the Belle Vue Bowling green.

Likewise, Llandough quarry was also abandoned due to flooding. At its peak, the Llandough tramway went down a steep incline to meet up with the Taff Vale Railway at the Llandough Lime Works.

Nothing now remains of any of these works – other than the many rows of terraced houses and mansions which abound in Penarth (though the bridge under Leckwith Road where

the Llandough trams went is still sleeping there – buried).

The era of limestone ended as quickly as it started. All around our area is red mark and clay (ideal for firing bricks). Brick quarries were established in Cogan, Penarth, Llandough, Dinas Powys and Biglis Moors.

Easy to transport, mass-produced and no need for stonemasons to dress the rock and ideal for house building – it quickly saw the demise of the stone quarries.

Some remains of the brick quarries still scar the local countryside, but the limestone quarries vanished almost without trace, filled in

and built on.

Gone too is the Penarth Cement Works, with its 'Dragon Brand' paving stones and fleet of industrial locomotives – no longer does little steam locomotive *Doris* stop traffic on Lavernock Road – followed by three Ruston diesel locomotives.

Now we have Cosmeston housing estate – and a bit of bird watching (or bird feeding) at Cosmeston Lakes – all built around a vast hole dug out of the ground for cement.

Another even more obscure tramway system served the kilns and works at Cross Common, Dinas Powys.

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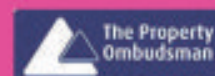


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ROBERTS

Justin

Suddenly on June 17, Justin, beloved son of Janet and Howard, dearly loved brother of Jessica and much-loved stepson of Griff.

Resting at the private funeral home of W James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Tuesday July 7, service 1.30pm at Ramoth United Free Church, Cowbridge, followed by cremation at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry at 3pm. No flowers by request, donations in lieu, if desired, to Alzheimers Disease Society or Marie Curie Cancer Care both c/o J James, 11 Fonmon Road, Rhose, Vale of Glamorgan CF62 3DZ.

DAVIES

Frederick John

Passed away, age 89, on Tuesday June 23 at University Hospital of Wales. Much loved husband, father and grandfather who will be sadly missed by May, Marilyn, Laraine, Clint, Ross, Mark, Emily and all the family.

Funeral service at St. Illtud's Church, Llantwit Major on Monday July 6 at 12 noon followed by cremation at Coychurch Crematorium at 1.15pm. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, for the Welsh Air Ambulance c/o the Funeral Home (cheques only).

Enquiries W.A. Brown & Son, Llantwit Major 01446 792489.

BARKER

Beryl

Peacefully on June 20, 2015, dear wife of Alan and devoted mother to Matthew and Victoria and a loving grandmother to Baz and Emma. She will be sadly missed by family and friends.

Resting at W.A. Brown & Son, Llantwit Major until the funeral service on Wednesday, July 8 in Coychurch Crematorium at 1.45pm. Family flowers only but donations may be made to Marie Curie Cancer Care c/o the Funeral Home (cheques only).

BERREY

Gordon Michael

Peacefully at home with his family, Gordon, devoted husband of Jane (Ursula), much loved father of Sarah and David. Loving grandfather of Kieran and Joshua. Will be sadly missed by all family and friends.

Funeral service at Coychurch Crematorium on Monday, 6 July at 12 noon. Family flowers only, donations in lieu made payable to Marie Curie and forwarded to Bridgeman Road, Penarth, CF64 3YR.

DEARDEN

Gwyneth

Very peacefully on June 24 at home, Gwyneth, well known for her time as a district nurse in Gilfach Goch, a devoted wife to Haydn, much loved mum of Martyn and Matthew. A cherished grandma to all her grandchildren, and a dear friend to Roy.

She will be greatly missed by all her family and many friends.

Gwyneth is being cared for by The Vale Funeral Service, 181 Court Road, Barry until her Service at the New Life Community Church, Mill Street, Tonyrefail on Friday, July 10 at 10.30am, followed by interment at Trane Cemetery, Tonyrefail. We request family flowers only, donations, if desired, may be made at the service to Velindre Hospital in memory of Gwyneth.

Further enquiries to Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, 01446 407962.

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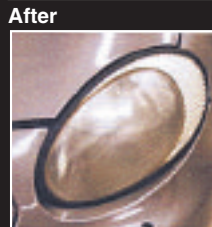
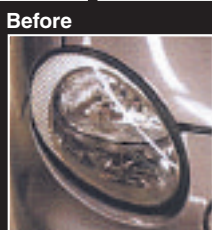
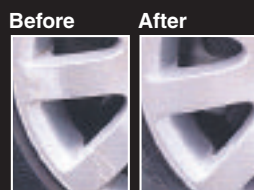
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Evan Williams – 'one of the most successful National Hunt jockeys'

ONE of the most successful National Hunt jockeys of his time was Evan Williams, who hailed from Cowbridge in the Vale.

The son of Fred Williams, the popular starter at Cardiff's Ely Racecourse and mine host of the Bear Hotel, Cowbridge, Evan was to win two Cheltenham Gold Cups and a Grand National.

He also set an unusual record of sorts when at Ely Racecourse on Easter Monday, 1933, he rode his first winner, *Mr Ghandi*, as an amateur and the last, *Vive L'Amour*, as a professional.

Evan was attached to fellow Welshman Owen Anthony's Letcombe Bassett yard when he was asked to ride the legendary *Golden Miller* in the 1936 Cheltenham Gold Cup.

Golden Miller, who had set a record by winning the race for the previous four years, ran out with his usual rider, Gerry Wilson, in the saddle less than three weeks before the race.

It must have caused the little-known Welshman, as he was then, a great deal of stress getting up for the first time in public on the most popular steeplechaser of all time.

But Evan, showing great horsemanship as well as the jockeyship, steered the mighty 'Miller' home to a 12-length win

over *Royal Mail*, the horse on whom he was to win the 1937 Grand National.

Evan's second Cheltenham Gold Cup win came in 1940 when he scored an easy 10 lengths win on *Roman Hackle* who, like *Golden Miller*, was owned by Miss Dorothy Paget and trained by Owen Anthony.

The 1937 Grand National was celebrated as the centenary of the great race by the Liverpool Racecourse Executive. The fact that a Welshman – North Walian Henry Potts – had won the first was not picked up by the racing scribes when Evan won on Hugh Lloyd Thomas' *Royal Mail*.

Sadly, Mr Lloyd-Thomas, a former assistant secretary to the Prince of Wales, was later killed in a fall at Derby racecourse the following year.

A keen amateur rider himself, he had planned to ride *Royal Mail* in the 1938 Aintree spectacular.

Royal Mail, who was trained by Ivor Anthony, took up the running a long way from home and in the capable hands of his rider, stayed on stoutly to beat *Cooleen* by three lengths.

Twenty-four-year-old Evan had taken the lead much sooner than he wanted in order to keep clear of some loose horses. In fact, on the second circuit, he had nearly been brought down by one of them.

But by racing ahead he left them to trouble his pursuers and this wise move won him the race.

When asked by the press what he thought about his success he replied: "What can I say? I have won the Grand National, and I am naturally delighted. Give the credit to the horse."

"He jumped perfectly and cleverly. He made one or two mistakes, but they were not entirely his fault. When I took up the running in the country the second time, some loose horses interfered with *Royal Mail* and it was not long before we could shake them off. After that everything went smoothly."

At the end of the war, Evan took out a trainer's licence and trained on the flat at Kingsclere.

His most notable success was *Supreme Court* which won, among other races, the King Edward VII Stakes at Royal Ascot and the Festival of Britain King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Ascot.

He retired to Ireland and died in 2001, aged 89.

Next time we take a look at the legendary *Fulke Walwyn* who, contrary to most racing biographies, was born in Wrexham and not Monmouthshire.

BRIAN LEE

Excellent form continues for the Romilly bowlers

ROMILLY Bowls Club are enjoying one of their most successful start to a bowls season with just one loss in all league matches played which was a midweek Munro Cup game.

Both the club and 'A' CML sides are unbeaten in their league games so far this season with the club side four from four and the 'A' side five from five.

Last Saturday, Romilly club side were up against one of the strongest teams in their league and playing away from home was going to be a severe test which could have a serious say in this season's league results.

The Romilly club side travelled to Gilfach Bargoed last Saturday confident, but also knowing that over the years a win in Gilfach would be a rare thing, and although they haven't had their customary start, losing two of their opening three games, the 'Rom' knew that they had to be at there best to get a result.

In the opening ends of the game Romilly went into a useful lead with the rinks of Graham Cogbill, Jeff Wright and Brian Foscolo all ahead, with only Fred Phillips' rink behind, leaving the 'Rom' ahead by five shots at the end fifth end, 25-20.

Foscolo's rink of Gwynne Rees, Roger Jones and Mel Newman

were bowling exceptionally well on a nicely paced but tricky green taking the initiative and putting pressure onto their opponents, who were struggling on their own green, leaving the Romilly rink to go further ahead by the 10th end, leading by 13 shots.

Another rink playing brilliantly was Gary Eastman, Ray Hewitson, Mike Doyle and Cogbill, who were well ahead 17-4 at the same stage and Wright's rink of Paul Williams, Rhodri Phillips, and George Trepleton were holding a two shot lead up against a good Gilfach four skipped by the experienced Brian Harris.

Unfortunately, Phillips' rink had fallen behind by 12 shots, 5-17, with Gilfach skip Paul Mullins capitalising on the inconsistency of the Romilly four but the overall score was still in favour of the visitors, 49-35.

Although Romilly were 14 ahead they knew that Gilfach would fight all the way, and between the 11th to the 15th ends the home side began to pressurise the Romilly rinks, reducing the deficit to eight shots.

The concern for the 'Rom' was that although Cogbill and Foscolo's rinks were still holding healthy advantages, Jeff Wright's rink dropped seven shots to fall behind, while Phillips' rink was still under the cosh and were well

down, 8-23.

Going into the last six ends it was a question as to whether the 'Rom' could handle the continued pressure. Well the answer was positive, as firstly Foscolo's rink maintained their form winning by a comfortable 15 shots, while Cogbill's rink began to leak shots; after being 14 shots ahead at the start of the 16th end they managed to hold their nerve and win by four.

Wright's rink fell behind by seven and were in danger of falling further behind but they managed to play some excellent bowls to keep the overall score in the balance.

It was now left to the rink of Phillips to recover from their situation to ensure a Romilly win overall - it looked unlikely but the true fighting qualities came to the fore over the last six ends with Phil Gershenson, Terry Bloomfield and Clive Collins giving great support to their skip, scoring 11 shots without reply, and although still losing by just four shots 19-23, they ensured a Romilly victory by eight shots, 87-79.

With two rinks up and two down, Romilly took 10 points to Gilfach's four maintaining the 'Rom's' status at the top of the CML first division.

Romilly 'A' team welcomed Rhosoe to Romilly Park last Saturday looking to

extend their unbeaten run.

From the off the 'Rom' rinks took control and by the fifth end had an advantage of 23 shots with all rinks ahead.

Over the next five ends the 'Rom' continued to play well but only picked up a further three shots mainly due to visiting skips Paul Williams and Ron Ball clawing back their initial deficits against the Romilly rinks skipped by Alun Bryan and Howard Jones.

At the beginning of the 11th end Romilly were ahead by 26 shots and playing with confidence which showed as they went further ahead by 36 shots by the end of the 15th, with all rinks ahead, especially that of skip Tony Freeman, who along with Colin Davies, Mike Gronow and Bob Wyatt, are in fine form this season and were ahead by 21-7.

The game was all but over going into the final six ends but Romilly players continued to play well and extended their lead with all rinks pulling away from their opposition, and by the end of the game had won by 63 shots, 112-49, with Romilly taking the full 14 points on offer to maintain their lead at the top of the table.

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Rugby's Dan and Ian attend the Paragames



Ian Gough and Dan Biggar pictured with athletes at the Vale School Paragames

TWO Welsh rugby internationals took time out of their World Cup preparations to attend the Vale School Paragames which was held at Cardiff International Sports Stadium on Thursday, June 11.

Dan Biggar and Ian Gough were on hand to present medals to the winning pupils who competed, as well as encouraging all the other athletes taking part.

Over 200 pupils from Ysgol Y Deri, St Helens RC Primary School, St Illtyd's Primary School and St Nicholas Primary School competed, with some catching the eye of the Disability Sport Wales Talent ID Officer who attended to spot any future paralympians.

Staff from Ysgol Y Deri organised the event which had a

huge emphasis on every child being able to take part and compete against others of similar ability. Disability Sport Wales Development Officer for the Vale Council, Simon Jones, was on hand to support the event throughout the day.

Simon said: "This is a brilliant event that gives so many pupils the chance to take part in a competitive sporting environment. Every pupil has been catered for where they can take part in meaningful competitive events."

"Although competition is not for everyone, events like this help reach a new audience and improve the chances of more children being hooked on sport. I would like to thank the staff of Ysgol Y Deri for organising such a good event."

There were a number of athletics based events that every pupil could take part in, including

sprints, long jump, and a number of throwing activities. The events were organised to be as inclusive as possible for every pupil so they all had the opportunity to take part in a competitive environment.

St Cyres School in Penarth provided volunteers to help with the running of the events, the third year in a row that pupils have given up a day to help.

Coun Gwyn John, cabinet member for visible and leisure services, also attended the day to support athletes and present several medals to the successful competitors.

For more information about disability sport and physical activities over the summer holidays please contact Simon Jones, Disability Sport Wales Development Officer, on 01446 704728 or email sljones@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk.



A VALE WELCOME FOR AUSTRALIAN COACH

STUDENTS at JSTKD Martial Arts & Fitness were treated to a very special Tae Kwon Do seminar recently as they welcomed Australian national coach, Master Rodney Lockyer, to the Vale.

Master Lockyer is a 7th Degree Black Belt, former Australian team captain, three times Australian national champion and runs his own successful martial arts school in Perth.

The seminar was organised by JSTKD's head instructor, Joseph Schembri, himself four times world champion and coach to the Welsh team.

With such a

distinguished guest, places at the seminar were snapped up almost immediately. There were nearly 60 participants as students from Cowbridge and Bridgend who were keen not miss out on such a great opportunity.

Master Lockyer focused on how to generate directional speed and improve core strength, both of which are essential, whether students are training purely for fitness or with an eye on competitive sparring.

He began with some 'science behind the movements' then interspersed the 'why' with the 'how' with plenty of chances to put this into practice. The students attending covered the whole

grading range from white belt up to black belt, from juniors to adults.

Everyone was able to benefit from Master Lockyer's experience and knowledge with techniques and ideas that were made relevant for each grade, enabling them to achieve the maximum benefit from the session.

It is JSTKD's aim to always motivate and inspire students by

finding new and interesting ways to improve their skills.

Following the great response and positive comments from those who attended, the seminar certainly fitted the bill and students are now keen to take part in more.

Details of the range of classes currently offered can be found at www.jstkd.co.uk.

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Tim's Number One!

ABERTHIN'S Tim Vaughan landed the opening Maiden Hurdle at Newton Abbot's evening meeting last week with the oddly-named Number One London.

Ridden by Richard Johnson, five-year-old Number One London was made the 9-4 favourite and scored by a length and a quarter from Shah Of Persia.

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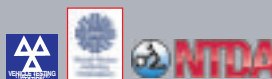
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Much-needed win for Barry Athletic CC

ON Saturday Barry Athletic entertained Creigau at the Island, lost the toss and were asked to bowl first.

Creigau were soon in trouble when Frost had John LBW for 0 with the score on 4; this brought Tom Lloyd to join Dafydd Taylor and they added 92 for the second wicket before Taylor was caught by Baker off Griffith for 47.

The third wicket fell with the score on 135 when Taylor was bowled by Hellyar for a fine 60; there then came a partnership of 59 between Tomos Innes and Alex Moore before Moore was out, caught by Usswald off the bowling of Frost for 45 in 18 balls, with a six and 8 fours.

Just one run later, with the score 195, the wicket of Powell fell, bowled first ball by Frost, and it was now 195 for 5. At 208 the sixth wicket fell when Ben Taylor was caught by Buckland off the bowling of Peter Hellyar for 8; it then became 222 for 7 when Hellyar had Williams LBW for 4.

Four runs later it was 226 for 8 when Paul Murphy caught Wyn Innes for 0, and it then became 230 for 9 when Griffith had Tomos caught by Baker for 48.

The last wicket to fall was that of Basett-Jones, run out for 1. Creigau were all out for 239, Frost (4 for 47), Hellyar (3 for 57) and Griffith (2 for 33) the best bowlers.

In reply Barry got off to a bad start when they lost the wicket of Smith, run out for 5, and this brought the brave Rhett Jones to the wicket to join

Goodway and they added 41 before Jones tore his calf muscle and had to retire hurt, replaced by Nathan Baker and he and Goodway took the third wicket partnership to 128 before Baker was caught off the bowling of Tom Lloyd for 33.

Andrew Buckland then went for 7 with the score on 160 for 3 and Murphy for 13 with the score on 186; this then brought the injured Jones back into bat on one leg and he added five runs with Goodway before Goodway fell for 99, just one short of his maiden century for the club.

Jake Griffith then joined Jones and they both hit the ball to all parts of the ground to see Barry home with a score of 204 for 5, with Jones 42 from 40 balls, with 6 fours, and Griffith 35 from 27 balls with 4 fours and one six, and a Barry win by five wickets.

On Sunday Barry travelled to Carew in Pembroke for a second round Welsh Cup game; they were asked to bat first and set a target of 183 for the home side to chase. The best Barry batters were Reji (48), Goodway (36) and Peter Hellyar with an 18 ball, 29 run cameo at the end, with 2 fours and 2 sixes.

In reply the home side reached their target with only three wickets down, with Tom Davies (59 not out), Tom Scourfield (51) and Nick Scourfield (34) being the main scorers for the home side.

On Tuesday evenings Barry Athletic will be running junior cricket sessions at the Island ground between 6pm-7.15pm.

MR

Brynhill ladies news



ALMA Shepard won the Crystal Cup and Maria's Jewellery voucher - she is pictured above with Maria Gentile and lady captain Glynis Gould.

Competition results: June 9 - Diak qualifying round and Dr.Owen Cup and G.U.W.: winner Maria Gentile 70 nett, runner-up Anne Phillips 71 nett. Diak qualifiers - Maria Gentile, Shirley O'Donovan, Jane Phillips, Judy Davies, Julie Harkin, Carole Bumford, Jo Hopkins and Liz Taylor.

June 16 - lady captain's prize: silver winner Sam Pascoe 34pts over back nine from Helen Cook. Bronze winner Julie Harkin 44pts, runner-up Olwen Thomas 38pts. Prizes were presented to Helen and Julie.

After the presentation we were entertained by Penny Wheeden on her keyboard. Her fees are all given to her charity which supports and assists people who are blind or visually impaired to play the keyboard. The ladies of Brynhill were, as usual, in fine voice!

June 25 - championship qualifying round, Peggy Lane Cup, G.U.W. and Crystal Cup: Peggy Lane Cup - winner Glynis Gould 67 nett, runner-up Jo Kirkpatrick 67 nett. Crystal Cup Alma Shepard 73 nett, runner-up Andrea Page 75 nett. Championship qualifiers - Sam Pascoe, Jane Phillips, Glynis Gould, Julie Harkin, Gemma Evans, Claire Herbert, Linda Hewlett and Helen Cook.

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LIFEGUARDS ENJOY LOCAL SUPPORT



The nippers team at Rhoose Lifeguards are very grateful to C&H Plumbing Supplies, CW Facilities Management and KB Consultancy of Barry for kindly sponsoring the club.

The team have new club shirts and dry robes for the summer season which got off to a great start with them winning the recent Mumbles carnival competition. Thanks to the companies for supporting the club!

Millwood Bowling Club news

LAST evening, members of Bowling Club (ladies and gentlemen) enjoyed a 25th anniversary dinner with a guest singer and dancing at the Masonic Hall, Broad Street.

Around 60 members attended the evening event, and everyone enjoyed themselves. A special thanks was given out by chairman Peter Taylor in recognition to all who organised the event in any way or form. The club, in line with the Murch and Rhoose, were formed in 1990, and there are a few special events taking place in celebration of the anniversary.

A rather belated report on this game between Millwood A and Llantwit Major A, owing to score cards being misplaced, does not deter from the disappointing result for Millwood who lost by a hefty margin of 35 shots, 96-61.

This defeat spoilt the

100 per cent win sequence for the A side.

Llantwit took a seven shot lead after the first five ends had been played at 17-24, and at the end of the 10th end the lead had been whittled away to only three shots with Llantwit in the lead by 39 shots to 36.

On completion of the 15th end, Llantwit had a very commanding lead of 23 shots to be leading by 71-48, which at the completion of the 21st and final end had increased to a healthy 35 shot lead with a 96-61 win for the visitors.

By virtue of winning on all rinks Llantwit 'A' gained the maximum 14 points. Credit is due to the visitors for the victory, well played Llantwit Major.

Millwood carried on their Munro Cup matches with a good win against Murch by a total of 16 shots, 70-54, which now means that Millwood have won five games out of eight so far.

After the first four ends the score was 12

shots to 13 in favour of Murch, whereupon with the 10th end played the lead had swung to Millwood by a margin of 33 shots to 26.

With the third quarter of the game completed, Millwood had increased their lead to 10 shots to take a 54-44 advantage, thereupon keeping the lead secure in the final segment of the game to finish by taking a 16 shot advantage.

Millwood finished up by adding another 11-3 point tally to their credit. The next fixtures are July 8 (away to Cowbridge) and July 15 (home to Penarth). Keep it going Millwood!

Millwood then kept up their winning run by taking a 12-2 point winning total, by defeating a strong Thomastown side in this Division 4 game played in glorious sunshine.

After the first five ends had been played, Thomastown had taken a four shot lead at 18-22, (although rink 2 were 0-16 down, rink 3 were 11-0 up, just about cancelling each other out), but after the 10th end had been played the shot score was 45-31 in Millwood's favour, a lead of 14 shots.

This did not change even after the 15th end was played, the score being 59-45 for Millwood, and at the completion of the 21st end the final shot total had increased by only one shot for Millwood to end up with a 15 shot winning margin.

Although rink 2 lost by 14 shots, rink 3 made up the deficit by winning by 19 shots, but all players played a big part in this well deserved victory, which keeps Millwood top of the Division at the moment.

Well done everyone!

Our next game is away to Gelligale (home of the dreaded artificial 'carpet') on Saturday, July 4.

Apologies for misinformation regarding last week's report on the Munro Cup game against Penarth Windsor. The result should have read Millwood 55 shots, Penarth Windsor 79 shots; this was due to not having received score card information. **JH**

Golfer's hole-in-one!

A Penarth golfer will have no excuse for missing his next tee-time after winning a limited-edition BOSS watch for achieving a hole-in-one.

Derek Forsyth, 68, scored his ace on the 132-yard, par-three second at the Glamorganshire GC, and the 12-handicapper was rewarded with membership of the exclusive BOSS Watches H1Club and a specially-commissioned commemorative timepiece.

The scheme is open to any golfer whose club uses HowDidiDo - a free-to-use, web-based social network for golfers - and anybody playing in official club competitions is eligible. Currently, more than 1,800 clubs use the website.

Sully Bridge Club results

MONDAY, June 22, North/South:

1st Trish Tracy/Peter Millar 59.27, 2nd Joan Andrews/Joy Secular 55.24, 3rd Judy Collins/Shirley Powell 55.07. East/West: 1st Una Gavin/Janet Cunningham 66.10, 2nd Peter Blackwell/Mary Blackwell 53.41, 3rd Alan Jones/Carolyn Matthews 53.41.

Wednesday, June 24, North/South: 1st Judy Collins/Janet Cunningham 61.17, 2nd Joan Andrews/John Pikoulis 56.25, 3rd Everard

Kerslake/Richard Allely 52.27. East/West: 1st Peter Millar/Trish Tracy 61.01, 2nd Judith Owen/Helen Jordan 56.99, 3rd Carol James/Sian James 54.72.

Saturday, June 27, North/South: 1st Peter Millar/Trish Tracy 70.24, 2nd Barbara Burden/Sue Attley 50.00, 3rd Carol Cochlin/Philip Bottrell 49.60. East/West: 1st Pat Sullivan/Hugh Simmonds 60.32, 2nd Kynne Leyburn/Bill Leyburn 58.73, 3rd Jayne Greatrex/Anne Hilary Jones 50.00. **EK**

THE BARRIVALE BRIDGE RESULTS

LATEST results from Barrivale Bridge Club for June 23:

=1st Diana Jones & Noelle Bond 57.92%; =1st Mike Close & Mick Green 57.92%; 3rd Simon & Debbie Richards 55.00%. Diana Jones and Noelle Bond also won on handicap.

New members are always welcome at Barrivale. A partner may be arranged if required. If you would like to join us ring 01446 418380 or 01446 733425 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road, Barry on Tuesdays at 7pm.

Alternatively, beginners or improvers/new starters would be welcome on a Friday at 9.45am at the above address.

DR